SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL FUND REQUEST

(FORM CWM #62)

REQUESTOR INFORMATION (Please print or type)				
CAMP AND DEPARTMENT NAME: Westport Camp #6	4, Department of N	lissouri		
NAME/ TITLE OF CONTACT PERSON: Dale Crandell, S	Secretary-Treasure			
ADDRESS: 7535 Grand Avenue				
CITY: Kansas City	STATE: MO	ZIP COD	E: 64114	
SIGNATURE:				
NAME OF MEMORIAL/MONUMENT 1916 GAR Nat	ional Encampment	Historical Mark	er	
NAME, NUMBER & STREET ADDRESS OF CEMETE	RY OR OTHER LOO	CATION		
Barny Allis Plaza, 301 West 13th, Kansas City, MO 64105 (convention office address)				
LOCATION DESCRIPTION (i.e. corner of 3 rd and Lincoln St) Barney Allis Plaza is an outdoor park and				
meeting space located in downtown Kansas City bordered by 12th, 13th, Wyandotte, and				
Central Streets. It is the site of the old Kansas Cit	y Convention Hall.			
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WAS FORM CWM-61: GAR MONUMENTS/CIVIL WAR ME	MORIALS ASSSESS	MENT SUBMITTE	d? Y N	
EXISTING MONUMENT XLAST SOLDIER PROJECT			ECT	
RESTORATION COST ^{5,000.00} AMOUNT RA	SED \$_0.00	REQUESTED \$_2,000.00		
CHECK PAYABLE TO: SUVCW Westport Camp #6	4			
ADDRESS:				
	tate: MO	ZIP CODE: 64	1114-1927	
Memorial Grant Committee Use Only				
Grant Request # Ar	nount Approved \$			
Approve Deny Table Name Committee Member 5	Signature		Date	
Check box, sign, date & return completed email to Committee	Chair, who will send to	National Treasurer	for payment.	

MONUMENT/ MEMORIAL INFORMATION

WHEN WAS IT BUILT: 2018-2019 WHO OWNS IT: Donation to City of Kansas City, Missouri
WHO IS FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE? SUVCW Westport Camp #64
ARE MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS AVAILABLE? Maybe FROM WHERE: Missouri Department of
National Resources, Historical Preservation Fund
ARE OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS AVAILABLE? Maybe FROM WHERE: SUVCW Foundation,
SUVCWMO Past Commanders Fund, DUVCW, Native Sons & Daughters of Greater Kansas City
WAS A GRANT FROM THE SUVCW PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED FOR THIS PROJECT? ${\sf No}$
DATE: AMOUNT:
DESCRIBE THE WORK THE GRANT IS NEEDED FOR (Be specific, use continuation sheet if needed)
This proposal is to place a new historical marker to commemorate the Grand Army of the Republic's 50th National Encampment and Golden Jubilee held August 28 thru September 3, 1916 in Kansas City, Missouri (see attached).
WHO EVALUATED THE NEED FOR THE WORK AND WHAT ARE THEIR QUALIFICATIONS?
Westport Camp #64, cost estimates from four foundries.
WHO WILL DO THE DESCRIBED WORK, AND WHAT ARE THEIR QUALIFICATIONS?
Westport Camp #64, low bidding foundry, and city approved installation contractor.
WHO WILL RECEIVE FUNDS IF GRANTED? SUVCW Westport Camp #64
LIST WHAT THE CAMP/DEPARTMENT HAS AND/OR WILL DO TO ACCOMPLISH THE PROJECT

SUVCW Westport Camp #64 is leading the project, raising the funds, contracting the foundry, coordinating with the city, and serving as principle contact for the stakeholders.



1916 GAR National Encampment Historical Marker

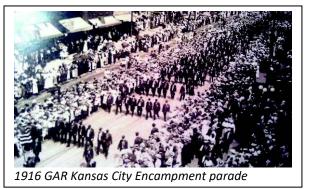
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Project Budget: The estimated cost is \$5,000:

Aluminum Marker	\$3,500
Shipping	\$500
Installation	\$500
Contingency	<u>\$500</u>
Total	\$5,000

Historical Significance: The 1916 GAR National Encampment was special, being the GAR's 50th anniversary and their Golden Jubilee Reunion. It was also the era when an aging GAR was losing thousands of members each year. The *Kansas City Journal*

reported during the encampment that "ninety older soldiers hear taps each day" referring to the 33,000 Civil War veterans that died in 1915. Even with members in their 70s and 80s, 4,000 veterans from the GAR accompanied by 6,000 from military bands, the Sons of Veterans, Woman's Relief Corps, and Ladies of the GAR paraded through 12 blocks in downtown Kansas City for a crowd the *Kansas City Star* reported at over 100,000.



Marker Description: A traditional 3' wide x 4' tall aluminum maker with raised letters and



GAR logo is proposed. The design and shape are meant to match other historical markers in the area, such as the Old French Kansas City maker. The following draft text is proposed:

GAR 50th National Encampment

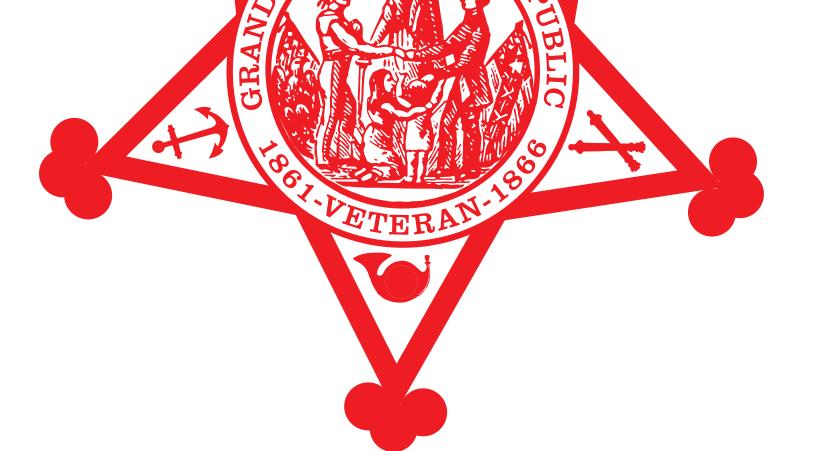
The Grand Army of the Republic held their 50th National Encampment in Kansas City, Missouri from August 28 through September 3, 1916, meeting on this site at the Kansas City Convention Hall. The GAR was a fraternal organization of veterans of the U.S. Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Revenue Cutter Service who served the Union during the American Civil War, 1861-1865. This was the GAR's Golden Jubilee Reunion and one of the last large gatherings of Civil War veterans, with the Kansas City Star and Kansas City Journal reporting an estimated 4,000 veterans paraded through downtown Kansas City for a crowd of 100,000 spectators.

Marker Location: The GAR National Encampment was held at the old Kansas City Convention Hall, which is now Kansas City's Barney Allis Plaza, an outdoor meeting

venue and green space used for sports events, festivals, convention center overflow, and residents and employees in downtown Kansas City. The GAR marker is proposed for the open space at 13th and Wyandotte, which is the only street-side space without an historical marker. Similar to other historical markers, the GAR marker would be protected from vehicle and pedestrian traffic but still highly visible to people entering Barney Allis Plaza and others traveling to and from the adjacent Kansas City Convention Center and Municipal Auditorium.







Grand Army of the Republic 1916 Kansas City National Encampment

The Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) held their National Encampment in Kansas City, August 28 through September 3, 1916, meeting at this site in the Old Kansas City Convention Hall. The GAR was a fraternal organization composed of soldiers and sailors from the Union Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Revenue Cutter Service that served during the American Civil War, 1861-1865. At its peak in 1890, the GAR had over 490,000 members and 7,000 local posts, including eight posts in Kansas City: Admiral Farragut Post #3, McPherson Post #4, G.H. Thomas Post #8, Charles Sumner Post #9, General Shields Post #15, Hightower Post #231, N.M. Gwyanne Post #265, and Buford Veteran Post #381.

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Placed by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

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