

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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Michael A. Fox
Stadium Director
Lucas Oil Stadium
500 S. Capitol Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46225

Dear Mr. Fox,

As Members of the Indiana Congressional Delegation, we write to respectfully request that the Prisoner of War/Missing in Action (POW/MIA) flag be flown at Lucas Oil Stadium.

The POW/MIA flag was designed following the Vietnam War, and in 1990 Congress designated it as the official symbol of our nation's concern and commitment to resolving the fates of the brave men and women who have yet to come home from Southeast Asia. Now, beyond its original scope, the flag is universally recognized as a symbol for POW/MIAs from all American Wars. So much so, the POW/MIA flag is the only flag ever displayed in the U.S. Capitol Rotunda where it stands as a powerful symbol of our national commitment to America's POW/MIAs.

The POW/MIA flag bears a silhouette of a man's head with barbed wire, watchtower in the background, and the motto "You Are Not Forgotten" emblazoned along the bottom. The vitality of the POW/MIA flag lies in its continued visibility, serving as a constant reminder of our nation's unfinished work. This request is particularly relevant given that Lucas Oil Stadium will host the 2012 Super Bowl on February 5, 2012. This prominent event will undoubtedly draw much national attention to Lucas Oil Stadium and provide an excellent opportunity to commemorate American military personnel held captive and those still missing.

Today, Indiana is home to nearly 550,000 veterans, and nearly 60 Hoosiers are still missing and unaccounted for. The POW/MIA flag reminds us to keep their memories alive, and that it is America's sacred obligation to account for its servicemen and women who have yet to return home. Please let us know how we might be helpful in the fulfillment of this request. We are happy to assist in the procurement of the POW/MIA flag. Thank you again for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Richard Lugar
Senator



Dan Coats
Senator



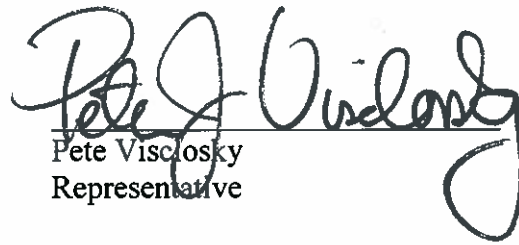
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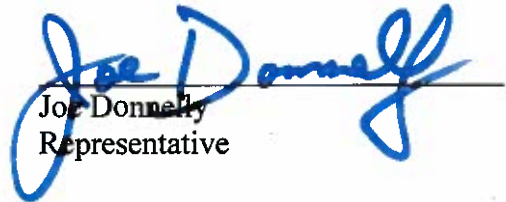
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