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Joseph T. Piening Executive Director

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Leo Pimple 4864 E. Barranca Arbolada Sierra Vista, AZ 85635-5732

Dear Mr. Pimple:

This is in response to your recent call inquiring about the installation of a carillon in Arizona.

The cost to install an AMVETS Memorial Carillon runs between \$40,000-\$50,000, depending on location and size of the tower. Holding a reception following the dedication program would be an additional cost, but this is at your option.

We here at AMVETS National Service Foundation would handle the contract procedures with the Schulmerich Bells carillon company for the installation. We would also handle the printing of the program and write and direct the dedication program.

Locally, your AMVETS committee would have responsibility to coordinate the construction of the tower base, invitation lists, reception and other details. A planning meeting would be appropriate to discuss details.

The Board of Trustees limits us to hold 2 carillon dedications per year, and they must approve each proposed site.

In past years, the AMVETS National Service Foundation Board of Trustees has approved sharing 50% of the costs with the Departments. This is always a possibility, and I urge you to look into it.

I stand ready to assist you in every way possible. Please feel free to contact me at (301) 459-6181 to further discuss any other aspects of this possible carillon installation.

Sincerely,

Joseph T. Piening Executive Director

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