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Subject: Letter of support and recommendation

In 2019 and 2020 we celebrate 75 years of liberation in the Netherlands. In this special year the Memorial Day service at the American Military Cemetery in Margraten in the Netherlands will be attended by His Majesty Willem-Alexander and possibly by the president of the United States mr Trump.

What is special about this particular cemetery is the commitment of the local population. All 10.023 American soldiers commemorated in Margraten are adopted by local citizens.

It is the intent of the organisation of Mission Margraten 75 to visit the cemetery in May 2020 with a number of WWII veterans to attend Memorial Day and to visit their deceased comrades in arms. Our Foundation supports their mission. On Friday evening May 22nd we organise a concert in the Parkstad Limburg Theater in Heerlen where they will be our special guests together with the governor of Limburg and the local mayors. On Sunday May 24 they will be special guests of the American Battle Monuments Commission during the Memorial Day service.

With this letter I recommend and support the mission of Mission Margraten 75 being one of the last opportunities to host WWII veterans in the Netherlands.

Yours sincerely,

Ton Hermes
Chairman