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ATTN: Marc E. Holma  
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Dear Ms. Langan:

On 9 February 2023, Army National Military Cemeteries (ANMC) initiated the consultation process with the DHR in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, 16 U.S.C. § 470f, and its implementing regulations, 36 C.F.R. Part 800. ANMC notified DHR of the proposed undertaking to remove the bronze elements of the Confederate Memorial, which currently sit on a granite base in the center of Section 16. The proposed project is considered a federal undertaking with the potential to cause adverse effects on historic properties pursuant to 36 C.F.R. 800.3(a).

ANMC would like to take this opportunity to respond to the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR) letter dated 3 March 2023. In this letter, the DHR acknowledged ANMC's initiation of consultation, reviewed the submission package, assigned the project a number (DHR File No. 2022-0201), and requested several items in response.

In answer, ANMC transmits the following files via DoD SAFE:

1. REVISED: Section 106 Initiation Document: Project Description, Identification of Consulting Parties, Identification of Historic Properties, & Area of Potential Effects, incorporating comments received from DHR. This includes updates to the Area of Potential Effects (APE) and to the list of potential consulting parties.
2. Phase II (Intensive-Level) survey report to evaluate the individual eligibility of the Confederate Memorial to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP).
3. Copy of Electronic Section 106 Documentation Submittal System (e106) Form submitted to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) inviting the ACHP to participate in the Section 106 consultative process for the proposed undertaking.

Hardcopies of these documents are being mailed concurrently to the DHR.

By way of this submission, ANMC is requesting that the DHR:

1. Respond to ANMC's request for review of determination of eligibility for the Confederate Memorial

Army National Military Cemeteries looks forward to continuing the Section 106 consultation process with our agency partners, consulting parties, and the public. Should there be any questions, please contact Caitlin Smith, ANMC Cultural Resources Program Manager, [usarmy.pentagon.hqda-anc-osa.mbx.cultural-resources@army.mil](mailto:usarmy.pentagon.hqda-anc-osa.mbx.cultural-resources@army.mil). Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

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