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Military Order of World Wars becomes Museum Sponsor

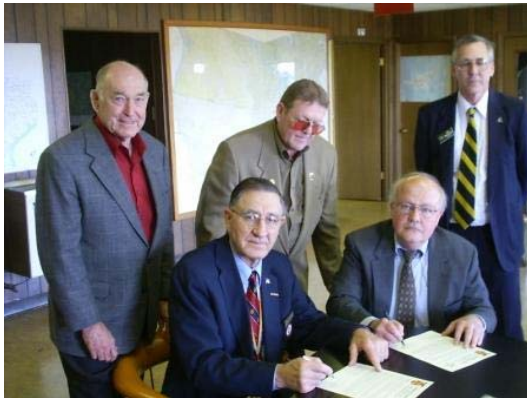
**Mineral Wells, Texas
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Approximately three years of effort has culminated in the establishment of the Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW) as a charter sponsor of the National Vietnam War Museum. The MOWW joins the Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association, The American Legion, The American Division Veterans Organization and NAM-POWs as national organizations supporting the museum.

The MOWW is a patriotic nonpartisan organization, which holds that it is nobler to serve than to be served. The order is congressionally chartered and was established in 1919 to promote the welfare of our Nation. There are three MOWW Chapters in the DFW Metroplex.

The MOWW sponsorship is the result of the efforts of BG Nate Vail, USA (Ret), past commander of the Fort Worth Chapter of MOWW and now a member of the museum's Board of Visitors. After the MOWW Fort Worth Chapter's acceptance as a sponsor, he utilized his relationship with the national organization's senior leadership to introduce the museum's mission and development efforts. The senior leadership, many of which are Vietnam era veteran's, saw the need for such an institution of learning about the era and garnered the organizations support.

On April 1, 2005, Bert Rice, National Commander and John Bain, Fort Worth Chapter Commander, met with members of the Board of Directors of the museum to formally present the resolution and accept sponsorship.



L to R: John Bain, Bert Rice, BG Nate Vail, Bill Kane, Jim Messinger



Bert Rice with Bill Kane at Museum Site

Present at the presentation were: COL Bert Rice, National Commander MOWW; COL John Bain, Commander Fort Worth Chapter MOWW; BG Nate Vail, MOWW; Bill Kane, President, The National Vietnam War Museum Board of Directors; and Jim Messinger, Treasurer, The National Vietnam War Museum. Following the presentation of the resolution, the MOWW executives visited the property where the museum is to be built.

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