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Deval Patrick, Governor
State House
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Governor,

On behalf of the Metrowest Detachment #1037 of the Marine Corps League I am writing to you to invite you to participate in any and all events associated with "Iwo Jima Day."

As you may know, Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 6, Section 12 AA requires that the Governor shall annually proclaim February nineteenth as "Iwo Jima Day" and encourage the public to observe it accordingly. The Metrowest Detachment of the Marine Corps League has been responsible for the past 14 years for conducting this observance.

We will observe Iwo Jima Day on Friday, February 19, 2014 in the following manner:

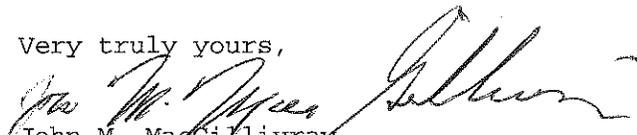
11:00 AM	Parade forms at Quincy Market/Faneuil Hall
11:30 AM	Parade steps off and marches to State House
12:00 PM	Ceremony in front of State House on Beacon Street
12:15 PM	Parade disbands
12:30 PM	Ceremony in side State House in Memorial Hall
1:30 PM	Collation in Hall of Flags

As part of the ceremony we will present the Semper Fidelis Public Servant Award to co-recipients Ed Kelly and Dan Magoon. As you may know, they are both Boston Fire Fighters who are active with the Mass Fallen Heroes. Governor, this will be your last opportunity to participate in this event as Governor. We would love to have you march in the parade with us and/or attend the ceremony in Memorial Hall. We also would like to thank you for all that you have done for our veterans.

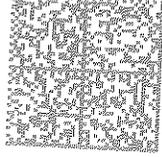
Also, please issue a proclamation for "Iwo Jima Day."

Please let me know your availability at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,


John M. MacGillivray
Chairperson
Iwo Jima Day Committee

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