



# DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Bath National Cemetery  
VA Medical Center  
San Juan Avenue  
Bath, New York 14810

February 21, 2006

Mr. Roger TenEyck  
1004 Lake St  
Elmira, New York 14901

Re: Woodlawn National Cemetery Avenue of Flags Donation

Dear Sir,

Thank you for the generosity that you have shown and your genuine commitment to the National Cemetery system. I have forwarded your proposal to the area office to help defray the cost of the replacement of the Avenue of Flags at Woodlawn. Your request has been reviewed and we are unable to support your proposal. National Cemetery Administration rules and litigation do not allow for cemetery facilities to pay for the avenue of flags. Projects such as these are required to come from a community or veteran service organizations voluntary application. We do understand that this is a large amount of money required to accomplish this feat. If you are still inclined to proceed with this project, there are many avenues you could choose to take. You could consider asking other service organizations, community involvement, or even the possibility of partial purchase of the avenue of flags and then purchase the rest at a later date.

Thank you for your support and dedication to the goals and improvements of our National Cemeteries. If you have a questions please feel free to contact me at 607-664-4806.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Walter Baroody".

Walter T. Baroody  
Director, Bath/Woodlawn National Cemeteries