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Dear Mr. Driscoll,

I am writing this letter to thank you for the presentation you gave on the K9s of the War on Terror on September 9th. Your tireless effort in recognizing military and law enforcement working dogs and their handlers is greatly appreciated.

These working dogs go through rigorous training with their handlers to assist both military and law enforcement in a wide variety of engagements. From bomb and accelerant detection, to drug operations, to assisting in apprehension of a suspect, to searching for wounded or missing persons these dogs have played a vital role in the War on Terror.

I could not think of a better way to honor these working dogs and their handlers, which have given so much, than to honor them with the K9 Medal for Exceptional Service and to build a memorial in their honor.

Sincerely,

David T. Vieira State Representative

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