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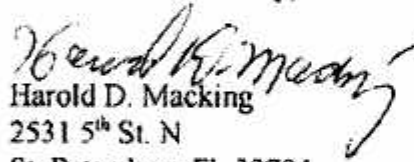
To whom it may concern,

My name is Harold Macking, I was chairman of a fund raising activity for American Legion Post 125 in 2,003. During the baseball season American Legion Post 125 raised funds for our American Legion Baseball Team. We did this through the courtesy of *Veterans Post* Newspaper and its publisher/owner, Phil Meskin.

We would gather at Tropicana Field and solicit funds by the sale of small American Flags. On three separate occasions we raised about \$1500. This money was taken back to the post and counted by myself and an officer who was not a part of the committee. As a result Post 125 American Legion Baseball Program was able to purchase additional equipment needed by the team.

At no time was the *Veterans Post* owner Phil Meskin directly involved other then ensuring us of free parking, table and chairs. He would leave after helping us post our Colors and insuring that we were set up. That was it. A phone call from him during the following week would ask us how we did and did we wish another date that season. At no time did *Veterans Post* or Phil Meskin ever derive any benefits from our sale other than the satisfaction of helping a Veterans organization raise funds.

For GOD and Country,


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