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UNITED STATES COMMISSION
FOR THE PRESERVATION OF AMERICA'S HERITAGE ABROAD

February 5, 2020

Friedhelm Boginski
Buergermeister
Stadt Eberswalde
16225

Dear Mayor Boginski,

My name is Paul Packer: I am writing to you in my capacity as Chairman of the United States Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad. We are an independent agency of the Government of the United States of America.

The Commission was established in 1985 with a mission to help preserve and protect sites of historic value that are associated with the American people.

As many victims of the Holocaust are ancestors of U.S. citizens, we are dedicated to honor the memory of those who suffered from the atrocities of the Nazi regime, as well as honor those who fought against it.

To commemorate Harry V., a LGBT activist persecuted by Nazis, and his hometown, we would like to contribute to this 75th anniversary of the liberation by sponsoring the erection of a plaque in your township.

We would like to ask for your support in this effort and hope that the city of Eberswalde gives us the opportunity to pay a permanent tribute to the memory of the victims and the sacrifices made by American soldiers.

Sincerely,

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Paul Packer

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BERLIN, GERMANY



The Chargé d'Affaires, a.i.

March 3, 2020

Friedhelm Boginski
Bürgermeister
16225 Stadt Eberswalde

Dear Mayor Boginski,

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the end of the Second World War, and throughout the year, we will be gathering to remember its victims and those who fought to free Europe.

We carry the collective responsibility to create spaces for present and future generations to be reminded of the atrocities of the Nazi regime. It is our task to instill the reminder of the collective duty to not allow history to repeat itself.

In light of this important duty, I am writing to ask if you will support the efforts of the U.S. Commission of the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad, and assist in the creation of such spaces, where reflection upon the unspeakable can be made possible.

Many Americans still have ties to the movement to liberate Europe, whether they suffered directly as a consequence of the National Socialist regime or served in the U.S. Armed Forces as a part of the global resistance against it. This project is of key interest to them, their descendants and anyone who remembers the war as the great lesson of the 20th century against tyranny and injustice in Europe.

Please join me in the effort to commemorate their suffering and honor their sacrifice.

Sincerely,

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Robin S. Quinville