From:	Jim Nugent
To:	Grp. City Council and City Web Site; Dept. Mayors Office; Jaeson White; Scott Hoffman; Mike Colyer; Chris Odlin; Richard Stepper; Laurie Clark
Subject:	FW: Violation of the Veteranss Memorial Preservation Act during the Black Lives Matter Protest
Date:	Wednesday, June 24, 2020 8:07:47 AM

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Sent: 6/24/2020 7:41:59 AM Mountain Standard Time
Subject: Fwd: Violation of the Veteranss Memorial Preservation Act during the Black Lives Matter Protest

Dear City Council,
I am asking that you contact the U.S. Department of Justice to see that the perpetrator(s) of the vandalism of the Veteran's Memorial Monument at the Missoula County Courthouse during the Black Lives Matter Protest is sought out and charged. These despicable actions are a violation of the Federal Veterans Memorial Preservation Act and the perpetrator(s) upon conviction would be subject to ten years in the Federal Prison.
I further ask that my Ward 5 Representatives arrange in the appropriate council committee a hearing to discuss how our veterans' monuments in Rose Memorial Park and at the courthouse can be protected, and that signs be placed at those locations informing that vandalism of such monuments is a federal crime subject to ten years in prison.
Thank you,
Dennis Gordon

From: NugentJ@ci.missoula.mt.us
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Subject: RE: Violation of the Veteranss Memorial Preservation Act during the Black Lives Matter Protest

DENNIS:

Thank you for your email and the link to your Missoulian pinion editorial.

I was not aware that the Doughboy statue had been vandalized until I received your email. Such an act of senseless destructive vandalism is disappointing, unacceptable and in conflict with nearly 250 years of efforts by United States citizens to establish and protect our citizen constitutional rights, such as freedom of speech, and equal protection of the laws, that are intended to be respected and civilly exercised by United States citizens.

I agree that all lives matter. All lives matter equally. All human beings should be treated with equal respect as well as afforded equal rights as part of our humanity to each other as well as part of our equal protection of the laws Constitutional rights provided pursuant to both the United States and Montana Constitution to all citizens.

Our office will of course work cooperatively with law enforcement to bring justice in all matters that our office is called upon to address within the limited authority and jurisdiction that Montana municipal attorneys are allowed pursuant to Montana state law.

JIM NUGENT

From: oddpilot@aol.com <oddpilot@aol.com>
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Jim, good morning,

As you must be aware, the Doughboy Veteran's Memorial was vandalized in early June by a protester(s) at the Black Lives Matter rally at the Missoula County Courthouse. In case you aren't aware of the circumstances, I have attached a link to my op/ed which appeared in Sunday's Missoulian. As you know, this vandalism violates the Federal Veterans Memorial Preservation Act. Whoever did the act of vandalism is subject to up to ten years in Federal Prison.

Since you are the top law enforcement officer for the city of Missoula, will you will act in

conjunction with the Missoula County Attorney, and with the FBI, to bring to justice the perpetrator(s) of this despicable act?

Thank you,

Dennis Gordon

https://missoulian.com/opinion/columnists/defend-doughboy-statue-from-vandalism/article_e59fe107-5f4b-56f0-8b5e-44add17ca656.html

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