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Rebecca S. Markert Freedom from Religion Foundation P.O. Box 750 Madison, WI 53701

VIA FACSIMILE: 608-204-0422 and U.S. Postal Service

Re:

City of Neosho, Missouri Big Spring Park Cross

Dear Ms. Markert:

The City of Neosho, taking into account the concerns of one of our citizens, the current findings of law as it relates to stand alone religious symbols on public land and appreciating the costs which could be incurred due to lengthy court proceedings has taken actions which it believes satisfactorily resolves the issue at hand.

Effective this date, the City of Neosho has transferred the ownership of the land at issue and contains the Cross which had been the motivating factor of your foundation contacting the City of Neosho. Following the findings of *Salazar v. Buono*, 559 U.S. 700 (2010), the City of Neosho has transferred the subject property to the Save Our Heritage Foundation, a private foundation, utilizing a fee simple conveyance with a conservation easement as prescribed by the laws of the State of Missouri.

It is the position of the City of Neosho that the actions it has taken brings this matter to a close.

Sincerely.

Steven A. Hays

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