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Dear Mr. Vang,

We write to you to express our disappointment and grave concern of your organization's decision to join Kongsue Xiong and Councilman Dai Thao's baseless claim that the word "Moob" is not standard while "Hmong/Hmoob" is. Kongsue Xiong publicly opposed his board's decision and made himself become the cancer of the Mong community by inciting division, discrimination, and hatred within the Mong community. Kongsue and CM Dai Thao rallied not only individuals but also organizations such as yours to help them eliminate the Mong Leng written language, especially the word "Moob" from the art stone at the Saint Paul-Changsha China Friendship Garden.

At the rally organized by Councilman Dai Thao on November 23, 2021, two members of your organization, Mr. Xai Paul Vang aka "Cpt. Xai Nu Vang" and Mr. Gangshi Khang aka "Kang Yee Khang" made false and discriminatory statements against Mong Leng. Mr. Khang identified himself as the VP of SGU Veterans and Family Development of USA Inc. He said having this rock with the word "Moob" would divide the Mong people into two groups and that the word "Moob" had a bad definition in English. According to Mr. Khang, there would be no conflict had the term "Hmong" been used instead. Mr. Khang remarked that SGU veterans had made sacrifices to bring Mong to this country and the spelling on the art-rock must be changed from "Moob" to "Hmong."

Cpt. Xai Nu Vang stated that since the 1950's, the word "Hmong" is known and recognized worldwide, but "Moob" is not known. He further misled people with his comment that the word "Hmong" had been registered with the United Nations by GVP and Dr. Pobzeb Vang. He pointed finger to Mr. Ying Chuyangheu, saying the term, "Moob " can easily be fixed. Mr. Vang

concluded his remarks by stating that more discussions would ensue if the word on the art stone was not corrected.

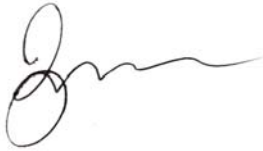
Additionally, it came to our attention that you had a conversation with the President of MCFGS, Mr. William Zajicek, several weeks before their board's decision and tried to influence Mr. Zajicek to change the word on that rock from "Moob" to "Hmong" as well.

It is of the utmost disappointment to know the leadership of SGU Veterans and Family Development of USA Inc take side with Kongsue Xiong and Councilman Dai Thao's baseless claims to mislead the public and cause unnecessary division and upheaval in the Mong community. As a non-profit organization with a membership of both Mong Leng and Mong Der veterans, we expected better of you.

To heal our community, we implore you to cease and denounce this false, divisive, and dangerous quest by issuing a public apology to the Mong community and resign from your current position with SGU Veterans and Family Development of USA Inc. immediately.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Zong Khang Yang', with a stylized, cursive script.

Zong Khang Yang
President