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### Summary

To: Mayor Gary H. Katica & Commissioners

From: JP Murphy, Town Manager

Date: 8/30/2017

### Subject:

Acceptance of "Taps" Memorial and Pavers

### Summary:

The armed forces museum in Dunedin recently closed and the Piazza Family would like to donate the "Taps" monument from the Museum to the town for placement in Hunter Park. As you can see from the attached pictures, the monument is a bronze replication of a soldier's helmet atop three rifles indicative of the rifles used in our major conflicts, above a bugle. Thus symbolizing a soldier's memorial and the bugler's song when a soldier is buried with military honors. The entire monument is mounted atop a granite base. In addition to the monument, there are adjacent dedication pavers which would also convey to the town as well. The Piazza Family and the Belleair Community Foundation have offered to take care of the relocation and placement cost to place the monument in Hunter Park. Preliminary placement suggestions include placing it mid-park along the pathway so that the new monument itself would be another standalone feature.

**Previous Commission Action:** The commission previously accepted donations for military dedications in Hunter Park

**Background/Problem Discussion:** The Piazza Family wishes to donate the "Taps" Monument and pavers to the Town. Their only request to have a sign that states that it was donated in honor of Mr. Piazza and the Armed Forces Museum.

**Expenditure Challenges** Some staff time will be required for placement and periodic cleaning.

**Financial Implications:** The BCF has offered to take care of the relocation expenses.

**Recommendation:** The monument is a fitting use for the park and appears to be non-controversial in nature. Staff recommends approval

**Proposed Motion** I move that the Commission accepts the donation of the "Taps" monument and dedicated pavers, and further allow for their placement in Hunter Park at the discretion of Town Staff.

