## Proposal

To City of Saint Paul Division of Parks and Recreation

Memorial for Mr. Masami Matsuda November 7, 2014

**Name of Donor Organization:** SPNSCC; Saint Paul Nagasaki Sister City Committee, Non Profit Organization Status, EIN #23-7447153.

**Proposal:** Honor the efforts and achievements of Mr. Masami Matsuda, designer of the Japanese Garden, part of the Ordway Gardens: A Japanese Collection, by installing a memorial within the garden. It's unveiling would coincide with the celebration of the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the creation of the Saint Paul Nagasaki Sister City Committee being planned for 2015.

**Description of Memorial:** In Japanese Garden design, stone is considered to be the backbone of a garden and a living entity. Therefore, an igneous formed stone, similar to the type and overall texture that exists in the garden will be the visible memorial. The size of this triangularly shaped stone is approximately 3 feet in height, 3 feet in wide and 1 ½ feet in depth, and weighs approximately 1,900 lbs.

**Proposed Location:** The memorial would be installed off the garden path and inconspicuously placed on a treed side slope that overlooks the key design features of the garden. These features include the many stones that create the backbone or framework of the garden, the garden pond and water falls, and tea house. The stone would be set into its final position with the assistance from those most familiar with the memorial's intricate design intent.

**Acknowledgements on Memorial:** The memorial would contain no text on its surface and no descriptive placard within the garden.

## Responsibilities of the Sponsor, SPNSCC

The appropriate stone would be personally selected by SPNSCC members who worked most closely with Mr. Matsuda during the many years of garden restoration. SPNSCC will arrange and make payment if required for all labor and cost of the stone, transport, delivery, off loading, and installation at no cost to the City.

Requests For Acknowledgements and Assistance: SPNSCC requests that the City assist in coordinating and scheduling the timing for this garden work and any additional labor and or materials that would support efforts to complete this event and ease the financial burden of the donor. The donor also requests acknowledgement of its donation of this memorial in all appropriate media and that the story of this unnamed stone become a part of the garden's history and garden volunteer's educational training.

Major Contributor: Bolander & Sons Co., 251 Starkey Street, St. Paul, Mn. for its

contribution of the selected stone, including transportation, equipment, labor and installation of this memorial stone into the garden. A special thank you to Mr. Mark Ryan, President, for his company's interest, time and service to the SPNSCC and the City of Saint Paul.

Estimated Value of Service, including materials, fees, labor and equipment: \$3,100.00

## **Proposed Project Time Line:**

Fall-Winter 2014/2015: Memorial Stone Delivery and Installation Installation would depend on weather conditions and garden path stability.

Our organization looks forward in joining the City of Saint Paul to celebrate this 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of SPNSCC by unveiling this memorial to Mr. Masami Matsuda during the Lantern Lighting Weekend of August 23, 2015, with dignitaries from Nagasaki, Koji Matsuda, son of Masami Matsuda, and Saint Paul officials in attendance.

Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

## **SPNSCC Contact Persons:**

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