

THE SUMMIT PROJECT "MAINE HEROES ARE NOT FORGOTTEN" PO BOX 8130 PORTLAND, MAINE 04104

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From: Executive Director, The Summit Project

To: General Public

Subj: STONE DONATION/REMOVAL POLICY (PL5001)

- 1. Stone Donation. A stone may be donated to The Summit Project if a fallen service member has geographical ties to the state of Maine and deceases during service of active or reserve components of the U.S. Armed Forces. Examples of this include, but are not limited to, service members who are born and/or raised in Maine, attending school in Maine, or whose spouse's legal residence is the state of Maine. Special exceptions will be considered on case-by-case basis by The Summit Project Board of Directors. Due to limited storage capacity, each fallen service member is limited to (3) stones maximum which can be donated to the program. Donations of these stones are restricted exclusively to relatives of the fallen service member.
- 2. <u>Stone Removal.</u> A stone that has been loaned to The Summit Project may be removed at the request, whether verbally or in writing, of the relative who originally donated the stone to the program. If a stone removal request has been submitted by a person who has not donated a stone, such request will subsequently be directed to original donor of stone for final decision. The Summit Project reserves the right to return each stone to contributing donor at any given time during the possession of each stone within the program.
- 3. <u>Stone Ownership.</u> Stones loaned to The Summit Project remain property of the individual person who donated the stone, regardless of who is in possession of the stone at any given time. The Summit Project will remain the responsible custodian of each stone during this period of time, as authorized by the original contributor.

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