July 26, 1986

General P.X. Kelley
Commandant of the Marine Corps
Headquarters Marine Corps
Washington, D.C. 20380

Dear Sir:

We, the undersigned members of the 23d Infantry Regiment, Korean War Branch, Second Indianhead Division Association, do hereby request that consideration be given to our heartfelt request that the name of the film "Heartbreak Ridge" be changed.

Many members of our regiment paid with their lives on that ridge. We find it hard to believe that a battle so hard won could be involved in a controversy which revolves around the commercial use of two words which stand for so much in our history.

We ask you as a man of honor to make every effort to use your position as Commandant of the Marine Corps to insure that history not be changed.

Words cannot express our feelings about those 30 days of Heartbreak Ridge.

Sincerely,

[Signatures]

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Officially... on Thurs AM, 24JUL, the Michigan Meeting of the Clan opened; on Sun AM, 27JUL, the Michigan Meeting of the Clan closed.

Unofficially... on Mon, 21JUL, the reunion was well underway with 18 people in place; on Mon, 28JUL, the last 14 stragglers were still departing.

The above attests to a most memorable reunion at which 89 members signed the register. Including families, wives, guests, friends, and those who only could come part-time, the total attendance pushed the 160 mark-- and all will agree that it was well worth it for the hospitality, accommodations, food, drink, entertainment, dances, bands, and a superb Memorial Service held at Fort Custer National Cemetery.

Many thanks are due to Marge and Guy Robinson for all the hard work it took to stage this affair-- and to all the members and their wives who pitched in to help with the registration, auction, raffles, bartending, and details to keep everything rolling at a smooth and flawless pace. There were 37 members who attended one of these reunions for the first time and we are sure they will be looking forward to future ones as much as the rest of us.

To the ladies who (literally) ran the auction this year, we tip our hats! Proceeds from this event netted the Branch $788.50-- an all-time high. An outstanding job was turned in by Nance Hoffman, ably supported by Ruby King, Sally Haley, and Dorothy Anderson. We will have to get them to repeat their performance again next year.

All eligible members attending were given 23rd INF tie-tacs/ lapel pins to signify their Life Membership in the Branch. The remaining Lifers on the roster have had theirs mailed to them during the week of 03AUG86. If you haven't received yours by now, let me know.

New and updated rosters were available in Battle Creek. If you want one of these new ones, drop me a request and it will be sent.

All three prizes from the 50/50 drawing were won by Branch members. A total of $1246 was taken in; $623 was available for the drawing.
1st prize: 50% ($311) to Ted Pickett, Tempe, AZ
2nd prize: 35% ($218) to Roger Webster, Laconia, NH
3rd prize: 15% ($94) to Herb Hewitt, West Simsbury, CT
Congratulations to all three 23rders!

The following letter was posted at the reunion, but unfortunately it did not draw any positive response. If any of you who did not attend have any information on Matthew Crnkovich, please contact his brother at 10528 Gaviota Ave., Granada Hills, CA 91344. Phone: 818/891-1546.
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Raymond E. Myers (Member # 21) A Co.
11187-108th Lane N
Largo, FL 33544
813/392-1841

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Let's look now to July 87, when our President, Bob Curtis will host our 13th reunion in the Seattle, Washington area. Let's give him all the support he needs.

Best regards,
/S/ Guy Robinson, Past President
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MINUTES OF THE 12th ANNUAL MEETING OF THE 23rd INFANTRY REGIMENT, KOREAN WAR BRANCH, SECOND (INDIANHEAD) DIVISION ASSOCIATION, INC.

Meeting held in the Board Room, Holiday Inn, Battle Creek, Michigan 1410 hours 26JUL86, Guy Robinson, President, presiding.

Roll call of officers by W. Woods, Secy/Treas.

Present: Guy Robinson, Pres
Bob Curtis, 1st Vice Pres
Wally Woods, Secy/Treas
David Johnson, Regional VP
Don Halev
John Kamper Schroer
Joe Hess
Absent: Jose Hinojosa
Henry Hulett

Members Present:
O. Kleinpeter H. King M. Racey J. Golden
G. Anderson E. Corbin A. Terney B. Devine
H. Ferguson G. Nicholas J. Erdmann T. Willis
A. Cristina J. Parsley H. Barker E. Fitzpatrick
B. Golladay J. Dick G. Miller J. Seybert
T. Vestrand D. Haun J. Gleason G. Willbur
F. Petrena E. Degoski B. Holt F. Lehman
A. Milbach B. Roberts R. Cody R. Crume
J. McDow J. Kearney L. Calhoun F. Carlson
H. Travis A. Anzaldua R. Ballinger R. Schutz
C. Rothenberg R. Avila D. Hoffman R. Balonado
J. Raubolt D. Williams C. Thompson J. Hoffman
L. Doughtie D. Schisler E. Stryker H. Shaw
T. Mortimer H. Jenkins T. McDaniel V. Vancil
G. Becker R. Gladstone J. Falconer N. Gautreau
A. Kinseth P. Bowman D. Buska O. Shoup
M. Markvicka K. Lawson H. Farsakian C. Zurawski

To save time, G. Robinson proposed that the minutes of the 11th meeting held in Covington, LA not be read but be accepted, as every member had received a copy in the mail. So moved, seconded and approved.

Financial report for year ending 30JUN86 read and accepted.

Officers report: J. Hess requested rosters from the period 1950-1951 be sent to him, if available, to help him in continuing recruiting efforts.

J. Gladstone moved that every member to this 12th meeting of the 23KWB be designated a Delegate for tax purposes. Seconded and approved.
Discussions followed on the proposed location of future reunions of the 23KWB.
G. Robinson proposed that the location be held within the boundaries defined by Pittsburgh (East), Knoxville (South), Denver (West), and Chicago (North) to centralize a meeting place for the majority of the 23KWB members. This would not preclude election of a President living outside of these limits.
C. Rothenberg proposed the location be within the Central States along with the proviso that the President could be from outside these limits.
R. Avila stated that the location should be anywhere in the U.S.
J. Stryker remarked that the location should have adequate transport (airline) facilities.
J. Dick suggested that since these reunions are planned two years in advance, several locations should be considered before final selection is determined.
B. Shaw moved that a committee be established to determine the location of future reunions disregarding the geographical home town of the President for that year. G. Robinson asked that this motion be withdrawn as he is authorized by our Bylaws to appoint persons to a Time and Place Committee for that purpose. Motion withdrawn.
G. Robinson then appointed C. Rothenberg, E. Corbin, and D. Haley to determine the location for the 1988 reunion. (Note: At the close of the Battle Creek meeting, the 1988 reunion will be held in Kansas City, MO as determined by this Committee; the 1987 reunion will still be held in the Seattle, WA area.)

G. Robinson asked that the members vote on the resolution sent to all the members along with the reunion packet of information--i.e. Changes to Article IV - Dues, section A.1. and A.2. and an additional section C. to be incorporated. So moved by O. Shoup. Seconded and approved.

G. Robinson appointed R. Schutz to be Resolution Committee Chairman for future work in this area when needed.

H. Barker was then invited to speak about the ongoing efforts to get a Korean War Monument established in Washington, DC. He urged everyone to write or call Senator Malcolm Wallop, US Senate, Washington, DC 20510 to get on with this order of business and take some positive action.

Korean War Memorial - Senate Bill S-1223
The appropriation of land for the Korean War Memorial is held up in the Public Lands Subcommittee chaired by Senator Malcolm Wallop of Wyoming. Failure to convince Senator Wallop that a Memorial is necessary will result in Korea remaining a forgotten war.

B. Curtis was invited to speak about the plans for the 1987 reunion in the Seattle-Tacoma area. Tentative plans for the 23KWB will include one full day at Fort Lewis to tour the Post, eat a meal in one of the mess halls, and see an equipment display, among other things. The surrounding area has many attractions to offer for additional diversions. The dates for this reunion are 23-25JUL. It was moved, seconded, and approved that the place and dates for the 1987 reunion are firm.
G. Robinson asked for suggestions for a permanent storage place for the Branch property which is beginning to accumulate at an increased pace. Items such as the Colors, unit guidons, 23KWB charter, maps, posters, 1st day issue of the Korean War stamp, etc. require a central storage location from which they can be sent to the next reunion in a timely manner. C. Rothenberg volunteered the use of his warehouse facility in the Chicago area for these purposes.

D. Haley proposed that all telephone bills incurred by the Branch Officers in the conduct of official business be paid from the 23KWB treasury, when requested. So moved, seconded and approved.

J. Kamperschroer spoke about the efforts of Timothy Casey who has done considerable research for the families of L/23 personnel who were either MIA or POW as the result of the delaying action they took part in near Kunu-Ri, 1950. He has done much to set the minds of the families to rest with facts concerning the fate of these men. J. Kamperschroer then proposed Honorary Membership for Casey. Motion seconded and approved.

H. Barker was reinvited to speak about the upcoming motion picture titled "Heartbreak Ridge". All members were requested to write to General P. X. Kelley, Commandant of the Marine Corps, Headquarters Marine Corps, Washington, DC 20380 to express our views concerning the film's rewrite of history which gives credit to the Marine Corps for taking this real estate instead of the 23rd INF. H. Barker stated that he would have a letter addressed to Kelley ready for all the members signatures available tonight at the banquet. This letter would then be carried to Kelley's office by D. Williams immediately upon his return to the DC area following this reunion. An alternate source to write to is Mr. Dean Johnson, Office of the President, Warner Communications, 75 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10019.

In lieu of plastic membership cards or other similar tokens, the Branch passed out 23rd INF tie-tacs or lapel pins to all the life members attending. Those not present would receive theirs thru the mail.

R. Avila nominated D. Haley for 1st Vice President. Nomination was approved, put to vote, and carried.

No further business at this time, motion to close the meeting, seconded, and approved at 1723 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

W.W. Woods
Secretary/Treasurer
FINANCIAL STATEMENT ENDING 30JUN86

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KOREAN WAR BRANCH
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Bowman, Paul
Frandsen, Jack
Shaw, Robert
Myers, Raymond
Vestrand, Ted
Tucker, Anthony
Rothenberg, Chuck
Vancil, Varlan
Kleinpeter, Olen
Hockley, Ralph
Mogged, Roy
Dumler, Ken
Guerin, Jacques
Riis, Gunnar
Weaver, Ronald
Golladay, Bill
Belben, Paul
Cargill, John
Rosenbusch, Karl
Haugan, Carl
Monahan, Dan
Hess, Joe
Gladstone, Jack
Sharp, Clyde
Jenkins, Huey
Dick, Jim
Aline, Bob
MacTaggart, John
King, Harlan
Kamperschroer, John
Degoski, Ed
Calhoun, Len
Hauck, Larry
Barker, Hal (Honorary)
Pittman, John (CMH)
Ferguson, Horace
Bowden, William
Wilkinson, Allen
Carroll, Norman
Hoffman, Don
Mendoza, Raul
Roberts, Bryce
Miller, Tom
Markvicka, Mel
Petrana, Frank
Distefano, John
Mortimer, Tom
Coers, Oliver
Haley, Don

Nicholas, Gaither
Allen, William
Siegrist, Richard
Johnson, David
Devine, Bill
Freeman, Lynn
Winesett, Ira
Klingenhagen, John
Izuka, Henry
Woods, Wally
Kotite, Dick
Williams, Dan
Baldonado, Ruperto
Robinson, Guy
Stryker, Emil
McGovern, Thomas
Butler, Frank
Polito, Tom
Wingert, Leonard
Crume, Roy
Walsh, Jim
Avila, Rudy
Seybert, John
Carlson, Floyd
Broehl, Richard
Endress, Ted
Timpone, Phillip
Parsley, John
Juneau, Linus
Hoelscher, Kenneth
Erdmann, Joe
Russell, Bob (Honorary)
Hinshaw, Arnie (Honorary)
Miller, George
Donnelly, Robert
Metzler, William
Hinojosa, Jose
Crowl, Robert
Travis, Huey
Shoup, Oscar
Anzaldua, Abraham
Doughtie, Lee
Terney, Albert
Casey, Timothy (Honorary)
Hewitt, Herb
Mr. Guy Robinson
10964 E Drive South
Ceresco, MI 49033

Dear Mr. Robinson,

The Commandant has asked me to thank the members of the 23rd Infantry Regiment, Korean War Branch, Second Indianhead Division Association, for their letter concerning the name of the film, Heartbreak Ridge.

General Kelley agrees that the name of the film is grossly misleading. As you may know, the film's plot concerns current Marine Corps training and operations, and there is no direct reference to the Korean War. As a result of your organization's letter, the Commandant has expressed his feelings on the matter in a letter to Clint Eastwood that I have enclosed for your information.

Your interest in contacting General Kelley on this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

W. E. BOOMER
Brigadier General, U.S. Marine Corps
Director of Public Affairs
By direction of the Commandant of the Marine Corps

Encl:
(1) Letter to Mr. Eastwood
31 July 1986

Dear Mr. Eastwood,

I have been contacted by several Army veterans' groups asking my support in their efforts to have the title of Heartbreak Ridge changed. I fully share their concern. Had a motion picture about Army operations been entitled, Mt. Suribachi (site of the Iwo Jima flag raising), the reaction among Marine veterans would have been at least as vocal. I've enclosed a copy of a letter from one of the groups which I believe expresses the depth of feeling the name Heartbreak Ridge arouses among those gallant soldiers who fought there.

I am aware that the Korean War is not the setting for the film. But, because the dialogue describes the main character as a Marine who received the Medal of Honor for action in a battle for Heartbreak Ridge, the name given to three hills in Korea taken with many Army casualties, I believe the film's title is grossly misleading. Now that the circumstances surrounding the historical battle for Heartbreak Ridge have been brought to my personal attention, I am convinced that the title is a disservice to the Army veterans who fought there so valiantly. In that regard, I support those groups who have asked for the title change, and strongly urge that you rename the film. There were many Marine battles in Korea from which you might choose a title. "Hagaru" and "Koto-ri," or "Chosin" are a few that come to mind.

With a hope that you will recognize the sincerity and depth of this request, I am

Respectfully,

[Signature]

[Title and name]

[Rank, U.S. Marine Corps]

[Position, Commandant of the Marine Corps]

Mr. Clint Eastwood
c/o Malpaso Productions
4000 Warner Boulevard
Building 16
Burbank, California 91522