## NATIONAL LEAGUE OF FAMILIES OF AMERICAN PRISONERS AND MISSING IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

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Dear Ms. Alfonso:

Thank you for forwarding a copy of your poem to the National League of Families. My Aunt Sybil whom you know, commented on the poem and asked whether I had received a copy. We deeply appreciate your warm thoughts and your concern for all American servicemen and women.

Recent events in the Persian Gulf have brought a renewed interest in the POW/MIA issue, both in Iraq and in Vietnam. The League was very pleased to note the priority with which the United States conditioned the immediate release of all POWs and a full accounting for those listed as missing in action to a formal cease fire with Iraq. We look forward to the day when the fullest possible accounting for all American POW/MIAs will be achieved.

Our board of directors will be meeting the first weekend in May and we will give them a copy of your poem to consider as an addition to our annual meeting program.

The hope that our POW/MIAs, both living and dead, will once again return to this nation, lies with those who remain here at home. While the families' thoughts and prayers are with these men daily, it is heartening to be reminded that the American people have not forgotten our loved ones who have given so much in service to our nation.

Thank you again for your heartfelt concern.

Sincerely,

Ann Mills Griffiths Executive Director