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AFMF Announces New Managing Director for Air Force Memorial

ARLINGTON, Va. – The Air Force Association and the Air Force Memorial Foundation announce the selection of Barbara S. Taylor as the new Managing Director of the Air Force Memorial.

Taylor, a retired Air Force Chief Master Sergeant and former superintendent and recording producer at The United States Air Force Band, replaces Pete Lindquist, who officially retired December 31. Lindquist retired from the Air Force as a Colonel in 1996 and was instrumental in the building of the Memorial.

As Managing Director, Taylor will provide daily management, oversight, event planning and support to ensure that the Memorial preserves the heritage of America's Airmen and remains a national place of reverence, remembrance, celebration, and pride. She will also act as a liaison with the Air Force, facilitating their presence and support at various events.



Taylor's military career began in 1982 when she enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. After basic training and training at the Navy School of Music, she was assigned to the Marine Band at Quantico Marine Corps Development and Education Command in Va. In the summer of 1986, she was chosen to become an Air Force band officer. Upon commissioning, she held command assignments at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb. and at Keesler Air Force Base, MS. In 1990, she resigned her commission to begin a family. She then was assigned to the Heritage of America Band at Langley Air Force Base, VA. as a musician and Director of Operations. In 1997, she was assigned to The United States Air Force Band in Washington, D.C. Before her most recent assignment with the United States Air Force Band, Chief Taylor served in Operations, as Chief of Public Affairs Administration, Broadcast and Technical Support Manager, Superintendent of Finance, Chief of Supply, Commander's Executive Assistant and Manager of the Commander's Support Staff.

"We welcome Barbara to the AFA family," said Craig McKinley, President of AFA. "The Air Force Memorial will forever be something very dear to our hearts and a part of the Air Force story, symbolizing its heritage and paying homage to the men and women who have sacrificed for this nation. We are excited to work with Barbara to carry out our ongoing initiatives to educate, advocate and provide support on behalf of the total Air Force family."

"Barbara has demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities throughout her career and we are certain it will be instrumental to the ongoing success of the Air Force Memorial," said George Muellner, AFA's Chairman of the Board. "With her wealth of experience, we are positive that she will be able to build upon the success of the Memorial during her tenure."

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- EDUCATE the public on the critical need for unmatched aerospace power and a technically superior workforce to ensure U.S. national security.
- ADVOCATE for aerospace power and STEM education.
- SUPPORT the Total Air Force family and promote aerospace education.

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