April 11, 2018

Eva Ennis **Operations Coordinator** South Bend Venues Parks and Arts 301 South St. Louis Blvd. South Bend, IN 46617

Dear Ms Ennis:

My name is Kathrynmary Schultz and I am the mother of James Schultz who wishes permission to place a Schuyler Colfax Family Plaque at the South Bend City Cemetery.

Enclosed is a picture of James holding the plaque, along with various pictures from past.

James became interested in Schuyler Colfax in March 2013 after reading an article in the South Bend Tribune about the first Schuyler Colfax day. James gave a brief presentation to his Cub Scout troop, afterward the Scout leader made the comment "another lost American hero". This remark stuck with James. In 2014 James did a Learning Sphere on Vice President Colfax, met with Mayor Buttigieg and gave a presentation at the second Schuyler Colfax Day. In 2016 James became a member of Children of the American Revolution and continued his patriotic work. It was on the 5<sup>th</sup> Schuyler Colfax Day 2017, which was brought to James's attention (from Carol Nichols) that Vice President Colfax's family members were buried across from him with eroded to nothing gravestones. This to made James feel bad, he remembered reading that Colfax's father died before he was born and was raised by his Mother and Grandmother. He also recalled in Colfax's later years all the help he received from his Stepfather. Then thought Vice President Colfax would not been able to accomplish what he did in his life time if not for the love and support of his family.

Kindest Regards,

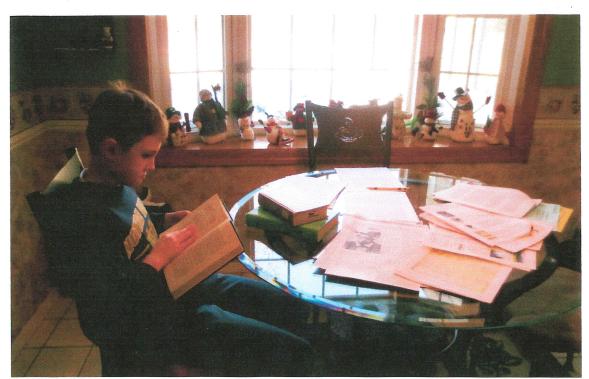
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Pete Buttigieg, Mayor Office of the Mayor

February 13, 2014

James A. Schultz 11314 Birchtree Drive Osceola, IN 46561-9509

Dear Mr. Schultz:

Thank you for your letter. Schuyler Colfax was indeed a young and talented politician and public servant, and I am glad that you find this important person from our state's history so fascinating. I appreciate your suggestion of creating a statue in his honor and in conjunction with South Bend's upcoming 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, and I will give this careful consideration.

I hope you continue your history studies and learning all about the men and women from our past who have helped create such a great present and future for all of us.

Sincerely,

Pete Buttigieg, Mayo

City of South Bend

Nice to meet





## South Bend celebrates Schuyler Colfax day

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**SOUTH BEND, Ind.**— Today marks the second annual Schuyler Colfax day in South Bend as the city works to increase awareness of a local American hero.

He was born 191 years ago today and played a huge part in our nation's history.

Colfax served as speaker of the <u>House</u> ☑ of Representatives under President Lincoln and he was elected as the 17th Vice President of the United States under President Ulysses s. Grant.



Deputy Mayor Mark Neal and members of the South Bend Common Council laid a wreath at Colfax's grave in the South Bend City Cemetery this afternoon.

11 yr. old James Schultz was a special guest presenter on Colfax's legacy.

"We hope that this continues a discussion of what some of the great leaders of South Bend have accomplished and that we hope to honor their legacies as we continue to grow the city," stated Deputy Mayor Neal.

Colfax is remembered for his dedication to civil rights with his support of the 13th, 14th, and 15th amendments.

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