



CITY OF OIL CITY
OIL CITY, PA. 16301

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

July 6, 2011

Mr. John Bartus, President
Kosciuszko Foundation
Pittsburgh Chapter
511 Dolores Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15227

Dear Mr. Bartus:

The unveiling of the historic marker honoring Colonel Gabreski was an amazing event. Please extend my appreciation to all those in the Kosciuszko Foundation of Pittsburgh who made this marker a reality. The dedication ceremony was one that I will always remember, as it reminded all of us of the contributions and greatness of Colonel Gabreski, his family and the Polish community.

I know that, to have the event be so successful, you had to have put in endless hours of planning and work. Through your work, the pride of the Polish community continues to be demonstrated. Every aspect of the event was well presented and beyond expectation. I was never so proud of Oil City, the Polish community and the Polish National Alliance Club. Thank you so much for all that you did. Please extend my gratitude and appreciation to those who assisted you with this project through planning assistance, as well as financial help.

It was a pleasure to have met you and I hope that you will be able to visit Oil City again in the future.

Respectfully,

Sonja L. Hawkins
Mayor

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cc: Mike Fedorek