ARLINGTON GREAT SOUTHWEST ROTARY CLUB AND

ARLINGTON VETERANS PARK FOUNDATION

Cordially Invite You And Your Guests To Attend

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Fourteenth Annual Veterans Day Commemorative Ceremony

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Honoring Members of the United States Armed Forces Who Are Recipients Of The Medal Of Honor

Thursday, November 11, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

Arlington Veterans Park Memorial Spanish Trail at 3600 West Arkansas Lane, Arlington, Texas 76015

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FEATURED SPEAKER CAPTAIN FLORENT A. GROBERG U.S. ARMY MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT

Captain Florent A. Groberg distinguished himself by acts of gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty while serving as a personal security detachment commander for Fourth Infantry Division during combat operations against an armed enemy in Kunar Province, Afghanistan, on August 8, 2012. Captain Groberg was leading a dismounted movement that included several U.S. Army senior leaders and members of the Afghanistan military. As the group approached the provincial governor's compound, Captain Groberg observed an individual walking close to the formation. Groberg noticed an abnormal bulge underneath the individual's clothing. Captain Groberg rushed forward using his body to push the suspect away from the formation. With complete disregard for this life, Captain Groberg, assisted by other members of the security detail, physically pushed the suicide bomber away from the formation. The suicide bomber detonated his explosive vest, killing four members of the formation and wounding numerous others. The blast from the first suicide bomb caused the suicide vest of a previously unnoticed second suicide bomber to detonate prematurely with minimal impact on the formation. Captain Groberg's immediate actions to push the first suicide bomber away from the formation significantly minimized the impact of the coordinated suicide bombers' attack on the formation, saving the lives of his comrades and several



senior leaders. President Barak Obama presented the Medal Of Honor to Captain Groberg on November 12, 2015. https://mohmuseum.org/medal_of_honor/groberg-florent-a/

Special patriotic music will be provided by Hon. Brent Carr, Judge, Tarrant County Criminal Court No. 9, and Cowtown Music Club.

The Heroes Of South Vietnam Memorial Foundation is a co-sponsor of this event.

Attendees are invited to join us for a complimentary luncheon immediately following the ceremony at the park pavilion. To make your reservations for the luncheon and for more information, contact Jim Runzheimer at **817-795-2020 or** <u>runz-law@att.net</u>.