Gentlemen:

Based on information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

We have further determined you can reasonably be expected to be an organization of the type described in sections 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and 509(a)(1). Accordingly, for your first two tax years, you will be treated as an organization which is not a private foundation.

At the end of your first two tax years, however, you must establish with the Internal Revenue Service that for such two years you were in fact an organization of the type described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). If you establish this fact with the Service, you will be classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization for all purposes beginning with the first day of your third tax year and you must normally meet the requirements of section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) thereafter. If, however, you do not meet the requirements of section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) for your first two tax years, you will be classified as a private foundation as of the first day of your third tax year. Furthermore, you will be treated as a private foundation as of the first day of your first tax year for purposes of sections 507(d) and 4940.

Grantors and donors may rely on the determination that you are not a private foundation for your first two tax years, unless notice that you will no longer be treated as a section 509(a)(1) organization is published in the Internal Revenue Bulletin. However, a grantor or donor may not rely on such determination if he was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act that resulted in your loss of section 509(a)(1) status, or acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would be removed from classification as a section 509(a)(1) organization.
You are not liable for social security (FICA) taxes unless you file a waiver of exemption certificate as provided in the Federal Insurance Contributions Act. You are not liable for the taxes imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Organizations that are not private foundations are not subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. However, you are not automatically exempt from other Federal excise taxes.

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible under sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

If your sources of support, or your purposes, character, or method of operation is changed, you must let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your status. Also, you must inform us of all changes in your name or address.

If your gross receipts each year are normally more than $5,000, you are required to file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax, by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. The law imposes a penalty of $10 a day, up to a maximum of $5,000, for failure to file a return on time.

You are not required to file Federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, a number will be assigned to you and you will be advised of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

Please keep this determination letter in your permanent records.

(Please see paragraph on attached sheet.)

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

William D. Waters
District Director
If distributions are made to individuals, case histories regarding the recipients should be kept showing names, addresses, purposes of awards, manner of selection, relationship if any to members, officers, trustees or donors of funds to you, in order that any and all distributions made to individuals can be substantiated upon request by the Internal Revenue Service. (Revenue Ruling 56-304, Cumulative Bulletin 1956-2, page 306.)

cc: Davis R. Robinson and
Kenneth I. Schaner.
615 Connecticut Ave., N.W.
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Washington, D.C. 20006
CERTIFICATE

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that all applicable provisions of the District of Columbia Nonprofit Corporation Act have been complied with and accordingly, this CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT is hereby issued to:

AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC SERVICE (THE)

Name Changed To

THE JEFFERSON AWARDS FOR PUBLIC SERVICE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of this office to be affixed as of the 17th day of July, 2007.

LINDA K. ARGO
Director

Business and Professional Licensing Administration

PATRICIA E. GRAYS
Superintendent of Corporations
Corporations Division

Adrian M. Fenty
Mayor
Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to the amendments to your organization's Articles of Incorporation filed with the state on July 17, 2007. We have updated our records to reflect the name change from AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC SERVICE to THE JEFFERSON AWARDS FOR PUBLIC SERVICE, as indicated above.

Our records indicate that a determination letter was issued in December 1972 that recognized you as exempt from Federal income tax, and reflect that you are currently exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records also indicate you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because you are described in section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of section 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely,

Cindy Westcott
Manager, Exempt Organizations Determinations