Marker Application Submittal Packet

NSDAR America 250! Patriot Marker Tricentennial Park, 315 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard

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Project Description

The DAR America 250! Patriot marker program is a nation-wide initiative, led by the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) to commemorate people who supported independence during the American Revolution. Local chapters are encouraged to place markers in their communities as a way to generate engagement and excitement leading up to the America 250! Celebrations.

Supported by the Lachlan McIntosh Chapter of Savannah, a 30" x 30 post and cap free standing bronze marker will be placed along the western public right-of-way, on the interior side, of Tricentennial Park (601 Louisville Road). The Park is bordered by Louisville Road on the north, Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard on the east, the 500 block of East Harris Street on the south, and the Georgia State Railroad Museum of the west.

The west side of the Park includes the remains of the Spring Hill Redoubt, a granite bench donated by the Sons of the American Revolution, two Siege of Savannah interpretive panels, a flag pole and engraved stone listing donors of the Battlefield Monument, and the 800 stones of the Battlefield Monument. The marker's location is appropriate as it commemorates the anniversary of the Revolutionary War and will stand inside the last preserved portion of the Siege of Savannah battlefield.

The marker and budget have been approved by the membership of the Lachlan McIntosh Chapter NSDAR. All funds are secured by the chapter. Coastal Heritage Society (CHS), managers the Park on behalf of the City of Savannah, has reviewed the location and supports the installation. The City of Savannah Parks and Tree Department has also reviewed and approved the installation of this location. The Parks and Trees Department has informed us there is no reason to meet with them as it relates to the placement (as the marker will sit near the Battlefield Memorial Park site) and to contact 811-Utiltiy Locate prior to installation.

Upon approvals from the Metropolitan Planning Commission, Historic Sites and Monuments Commission, and the City of Savannah City Council, the Historian General of the NSDAR will receive the chapter's application and paperwork including a written statement from the City of Savannah authorizing the installation. Upon receipt from the Historian General, the chapter will purchase the marker from Classic Bronze Resources LLC, in Cincinnati, Ohio. Arrangement for shipment will be made between the Lachlan McIntosh Chapter and the Parks and Trees Department.

Working with City Council, Parks and Trees Department and CHS, we ask the marker to be installed in October 2025 to mark the anniversary of the Siege of Savannah.

Project Budget

• 30" x 30" Bronze, post and cap,

free standing marker, 3 ½ round, 7' to 8' long post: \$5,363.00

• Shipping: \$359.00

• Maintenance Escrow: \$500.00

• Park and Tree Department Installation: \$500.00

• Total: \$6,822.00

Marker Location (map and photographs)

The marker will be placed inside Tricentennial Park, western portion, along the sidewalk, between the SAR bench and an interpretive panel.



Arial view of Battlefield Memorial Park. Star marks proposed marker location.



East-facing view of proposed marker location. Marker will be placed halfway between the SAR bench (left) and the interpretative panel (right), interior side of the field, 6 to 12 inches away from the sidewalk.





(left) South-facing view and (right) north-facing view of proposed marker location.

Marker Themes

The America 250! Patriot Marker aligns with several themes:

Military History

The marker commemorates the 250th anniversary of the American Revolutionary War. The marker will be placed in a prominent location near the Spring Hill Redoubt, on Battlefield Memorial Park, and will connect American Patriots and their allies (officers and civilians, Continental Army and militias) to the events of the Siege of Savannah, which took place on the site on October 9, 1779.

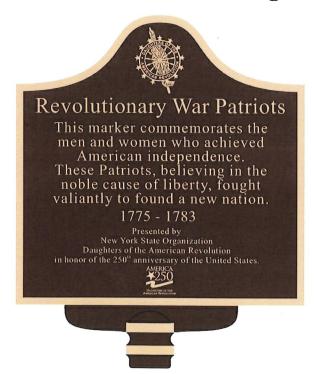
Colonial History

The marker will draw attention to the American Revolutionary War. Citing the years 1776-1783, this marker will contextualize Savannah and Savannahians at the end of the Colonial Period.

Local History

The maker commemorates American Patriots and their allies during the 250th anniversary of the Revolutionary War. The Siege of Savannah is noted as having one of the most diverse representation of individuals from various nationalities, such as Eastern and Western Europe and the Caribbean, and those of multicultural backgrounds, such as African decedent. The marker will encourage visitors and citizens to contemplate the lives of the individuals who participated in the battle on Spring Hill and the surrounding area. This marker will also raise awareness of the diversity of the individuals who participated in the Siege of Savannah and supported American Independence.

Image of the Marker & Specs



Marker Specs

Size: 30" x 30"

Shape: Square with raised top

Material: Bronze

Color: painted brown (background), raised single border & raised lettering (brushed satin finish)

Text Placement: All text center justified.
Other: Post & cap mount, clear gloss coat

Marker Text

Font: Times New Roman

Font Size: Title - 1.5" / Copy - 1.03" / "Dedicated by.." text - .6"

Justified: Center

(insert NSDAR Insignia)

Revolutionary War Patriots

This marker commemorates the men and women who achieved
American independence.
These Patriots, each believing in the noble cause of liberty,
valiantly strove to found a new nation.

1775 - 1783

Dedicated in the year 2025 by
Lachlan McIntosh Chapter
Daughters of the American Revolution
in celebration of the 250th Anniversary of the United States.

(insert America 205! NSDAR Logo)

Statements of Understanding

Funds for the total budgeted amount (\$6,822.00) have been secured and approved by the Lachlan McIntosh Chapter NSDAR for sole use of this project. The funds were approved by vote from the chapter membership on October 10, 2024. There is no need or plan to fundraise the budgeted amount.

Chapter membership is fully aware that there will be a required escrow, paid to the City of Savannah, for the purpose of maintaining the historical marker on public property. Chapter membership is also fully aware that once placed, the historical marker will become the property of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah who will be responsible for future maintenance of the marker.