

**From:** [Michele Wollert](#)  
**To:** [Cnty Comm Planning Historic Preservation](#)  
**Subject:** Remove Jefferson Davis National Highway Marker from Register  
**Date:** Friday, August 18, 2017 3:00:39 PM

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Good afternoon:

I respectfully request that the members of the Clark County Historic Preservation Committee remove the Jefferson Davis National Highway Marker, located on private property, from its Clark County Heritage Register, as soon as possible.

Clark County should not be memorializing and honoring historic figures whose main claim to fame is that they fought to preserve and protect slavery, the most shameful violation of human rights our great country has ever seen.

These memorials were erected for one purpose only: to glorify that reprehensible time in history and to cause infinite distress to oppressed minority residents as a reminder of their former second-class status.

Jefferson Davis declared in 1861 that the cause of his state's secession was that "she had heard proclaimed the theory that all men are created free and equal, and this made the basis of an attack upon her social institutions; and the sacred Declaration of Independence has been invoked to maintain the position of the equality of the races." Davis's vice president, Alexander Stephens, also stated that "slavery . . . was the immediate cause of the late rupture and present revolution" and that protecting it was the "cornerstone" of the new Confederate government.

This memorial should never have been given a place of honor on the Clark County Heritage Register. Please vote in the affirmative to remove it.

Thank you for your public service. My husband and I own two historic homes (1910 and 1911) in this beautiful county. Your work is very important and I very much appreciate it.

Regards,

Michele Wollert  
Vancouver WA  
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**From:** [Furno, Peggy](#)  
**To:** [Kamp, Jacqueline](#)  
**Subject:** Jefferson monument  
**Date:** Thursday, August 17, 2017 1:29:18 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Hi, Jackie,

I was referred to you as to whether you know who the contact is for the Jefferson monument located north of Vancouver off of I-5. I had a citizen call stating that they wanted to monument to be taken down and I'm not sure where to direct him. The caller is James King .

Thanks for your assistance.

### **Peggy Furno | Citizen Liaison**



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**From:** [Orjiako, Oliver](#)  
**To:** [Kamp, Jacqueline](#); [Lumbantobing, Sharon](#)  
**Subject:** FW: JD Marker  
**Date:** Monday, August 14, 2017 9:52:46 AM

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Just FYI. Thanks.



**Oliver Orjiako**  
Director  
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**From:** David McDonald [mailto:[david@mcdonaldpc.com](mailto:david@mcdonaldpc.com)]  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 13, 2017 1:46 PM  
**To:** Horne, Chris  
**Cc:** Orjiako, Oliver; Boldt, Marc  
**Subject:** JD Marker

Chris:

I think it is time to remove this from our website and, concomitantly, from our Historic Register. It sits on private property and the individuals have every right to have it there. However, I do not believe it is necessary for our county website to acknowledge it.

I grew up in the South and lived in a segregated society there for several years before integration came to the schools in 1969. Back then, the private schools were integrated and the public schools were segregated so I attended private school. When the schools integrated, my parents took me out of private school and put me into public school because they supported integration. I lived through the riots, racial struggles and city wide curfews of those tumultuous times and learned the important lesson of diversity and integration. Given the events during the presidential campaign, and especially of these past few days in Virginia (not to mention the resurrection of the KKK and the rise of groups such as Vanguard America), I see and feel a strong resurgence of some of the bigotry and superiority exuded by white members of my community when I was a child. Thus, I advocate for the removal of reference to this monument on the county website.

I am not quite sure what the process would be for removing it from the Historic Register but removing it from the website should not be difficult.

Best Regards,

David

<https://www.clark.wa.gov/community-planning/jefferson-davis-highway-marker>

## JEFFERSON DAVIS HIGHWAY MARKER



### Jefferson Davis Highway Marker

The listing of the Jefferson Davis Highway marker on the Clark County Heritage Register is unique. The monument itself is not deemed historically significant to Clark County, nor is the life of Jefferson Davis, president of the Confederate States of America during the Civil War.

Rather, the significance lies in the grassroots effort, led by the Daughters of the Confederacy, for the designation and commemoration of Highway 99.

The marker was listed on the Clark County Heritage Register in 2002.

### **Open to Public:**

Yes. However, this property is privately owned.

### **Location**

Jefferson Davis Highway Marker  
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## Kamp, Jacqueline

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**From:** Schroader, Kathy  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 16, 2017 12:05 PM  
**To:** Kamp, Jacqueline  
**Subject:** FW: Jefferson Davis Park Page

FYI



**Kathy Schroader**  
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**From:** Peter Anderson [<mailto:pelliott@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 15, 2017 2:55 PM  
**To:** Cnty Community Planning  
**Subject:** Jefferson Davis Park Page

Good afternoon,

I am writing to ask that you please remove this page from your website. It is a private park, and it is an embarrassment to have it in our community. Further, as your site notes, it has no significance to the heritage of our community.

<https://www.clark.wa.gov/community-planning/jefferson-davis-highway-marker>

## Kamp, Jacqueline

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**From:** Schroader, Kathy  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 16, 2017 12:05 PM  
**To:** Kamp, Jacqueline  
**Subject:** FW: Jefferson Davis Marker

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**From:** Allison Hopstad [<mailto:ahopstad@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 15, 2017 7:20 AM  
**To:** Cnty Community Planning  
**Subject:** Jefferson Davis Marker

Why do you still have this marker listed with glowing language on the county website? It's on private property and the highway is being renamed.

<https://www.clark.wa.gov/community-planning/jefferson-davis-highway-marker>

## Kamp, Jacqueline

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**From:** Schroader, Kathy  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 16, 2017 12:06 PM  
**To:** Kamp, Jacqueline  
**Subject:** FW: Jefferson Davis Highway marker link?

FYI

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-----Original Message-----

From: Michele Wollert [<mailto:michelewollert@gmail.com>]  
Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2017 11:15 AM  
To: Cnty Community Planning  
Subject: Jefferson Davis Highway marker link?

Good morning:

Just curious why a Confederate marker on private property is listed on the Community Planning section of Clark County's website?

Do you all know how that came to be placed here? Did David Madore and/or Tom Mielke direct that action?

Thanks for helping me understand its significance to a public government entity.

Regards,

Michele Wollert  
Vancouver



**Stephanie Rice**

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