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Good Day Friend,

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I am proud to announce the Cayman Islands Veterans Association is holding its 8th Annual Veterans Benefit Dinner/Dance at the Grand Cayman Marriot Beach Resort on Saturday, October 19, 2019. The event from inception has been a resounding success and many of our return patrons say it is one of the most pleasurable events of the year. This event stands as a salute to everyone in the Cayman Islands who has ever worn a military uniform. Whether they are still with us or they have already answered their final roll call, we salute their courageous service! At the same time this fundraising event helps to fill the gap between our members' needs and the funds raised via our only other fund raising effort, the annual Poppy Appeal. Together, our two annual fund raisers provide us with some small but very inadequate means to partially support some of the needs of the many older veterans in Cayman who now require help with expenses ranging from utility bills to funeral expenses.

The Dinner/Dance will be held to full military etiquette and a short narrative will be given for each part of the dining ceremony. This offers a chance for former service members to reminisce on the camaraderie we have shared at past events and even more impressive an opportunity for members of the general public to get a behind the scenes look into some of the mystique surrounding military life. This is a "black tie event" and we encourage all former uniformed members to wear their formal Mess Dress uniform. There will be several surprises throughout the night with salutes and toasts, raffle prizes to give away, and this jovial evening will end dancing the night away with one of our favorite local entertainers.

The Marriott Beach Resort is kindly offering a discounted room rate for the night of the gala to attendees and concierge parking will be available.

You immediately came to mind as someone who would sponsor such a worthy event. We have enclosed our sponsorship package for ease of reference and look forward to you becoming a sponsor and supporting those who have given so much, and in some cases, the survivors of those who have given their lives in defense of our freedoms!

Thanking you in advance for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Master Sergeant Andrew McLaughlin, USMC Retired
President, CIVA