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**NSTEC DONATION HELPS TO COMPLETE COLD WAR MEMORIAL**

**LAS VEGAS, Nev.** – The first national memorial in Nevada was dedicated today thanks in part to a \$50,000 donation from National Security Technologies, LLC (NSTec). Construction of the Silent Heroes of the Cold War National Memorial on Mt. Charleston would not have been completed as soon as it was without NSTec’s donation, said Steven Ririe, chairman of the Memorial Foundation.

The construction began with a groundbreaking Nov. 17, 2012 – the 57-year anniversary of a plane crash on the mountain, an incident that was veiled in secrecy for decades. Fourteen Cold War heroes perished in the crash of a U.S. Air Force C-45, which was transporting them to a classified location to work on the then-top secret U2 reconnaissance aircraft.

Ririe, a Las Vegas resident and Boy Scout leader, uncovered the secrets of the plane crash in 1998 while hiking on Mt. Charleston, and set his sights on dedicating a memorial to all of those who died serving the United States during the Cold War. The Spring Mountains Visitor Gateway was chosen not only for its natural beauty, but because it looks skyward towards the mountain top where the crash occurred, Ririe said.

NSTec President Raymond J. Juzaitis said the donation was timely because it helped Ririe’s foundation reach its fundraising goal to complete final construction of the memorial, and important because it helped pay tribute to other heroes who worked at the Nevada Test Site during the Cold War. Those heroes helped maintain America’s nuclear deterrent and played a major role in keeping the nation safe from the threat of nuclear attack, a role which has evolved and expanded into the vital national security missions of today’s NNSS. NSTec is the management and operating contractor for the NNSS, under the auspices of the Nevada Field Office of the National Nuclear Security Administration.

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“NSTec is proud to be a part of this memorial because it honors those who paid the ultimate price while working in secrecy during the Cold War,” Juzaitis said. “It also recognizes the tens of thousands of patriots who worked at the Nevada Test Site and elsewhere to deter a nuclear conflict for more than five decades.”