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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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### *Memorializing the Great War*

The interest in commemorating the centennial of World War I is certainly apparent [John Kelly's Washington, Metro, Nov. 29], judging from the readers' comments that John Kelly has received since his Nov. 15 column on this topic. What everyone on all sides of the issue needs to realize is that, given current legislative restrictions, there isn't going to be a new World War I Memorial on the Mall, certainly not before the centennial of the 1914-18 conflict, and there probably will not be funds available to build a totally new memorial anywhere in the District.

The founders and supporters of the National World War I Memorial in Kansas City are entitled to their memorial's designation. If we want to commemorate World War I on a national level here in Washington — and do so soon, with the centennial fast approaching — we urge everyone involved to seriously consider Pershing Park, on Pennsylvania Avenue NW between 14th and 15th streets, as an ideal location to promote and tell this story.

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