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Dear General Rosa:

I am writing you on behalf of the United States Air Force Auxiliary, Civil Air Patrol, to voice wholehearted support for naming the Soaring Building at the Air Force Academy after 1st Lieutenant Thomas E. Doyle, a former Civil Air Patrol cadet, Academy graduate, and hero to many.

Tom Doyle became a cadet in the California Wing of CAP in 1975 and excelled as a cadet commander, International Air Cadet Exchange, and the 1980 California Cadet of the Year. Tom soloed in a glider at the age of 14, and received his private pilot's license at the age of 17 with the assistance and inspiration of the CAP cadet program. With the skills learned in CAP, he was successful in receiving an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy, graduated towards the top of his class, and became an F-16 pilot in the United States Air Force.

In a time of peace, when he did not have to do so, he gave his life for the adults and children of Forst, Germany by electing to stay with his malfunctioning aircraft to steer it away from schools and shops in the congested areas within the town. Lt Doyle's life best exemplifies, and is symbolic of, the CAP core values of *Integrity, Volunteer Service, Excellence, and Respect*, as well as the core values of the U.S. Air Force of *Integrity First, Service Before Self, Excellence in All We Do*. Lt Doyle went above and beyond the call of duty as an exceptional cadet in CAP and carried this devotion to his strong core values into his Air Force service.

It is with great pride that I submit this request to you on behalf of the 64,000 members of CAP to name the Soaring Building at the United States Air Force Academy the "1st Lt. Thomas E. Doyle Building" and that the motto of the building be "Above and Beyond".

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