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***ACCOTINK CHURCH SITE OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA
OPEN DISCUSSION ON U.S. INVOLVEMENT IN IRAQ***

-- Event hosted by Americans Against Escalation in Iraq --

BURKE, VA – The organizers of a discussion on the future of United States military involvement in Iraq will use the Accotink Unitarian Universalist Church in Burke, Virginia, as the location for this Northern Virginia community open forum. The session, scheduled for Thursday, August 23 at 10 a.m., will feature U.S. Representative Tom Davis.

The decision to offer the session's sponsor, Americans Against Escalation in Iraq, use of the church is an outgrowth of the Accotink congregation's decision to increase its profile throughout Northern Virginia by becoming more involved with community issues and events. The church membership reflects the diversity that the congregation fervently embraces with some members aligned with traditional Democratic and Republican parties, while others subscribe to libertarian and other alternative political philosophies.

According to the church's formal Mission Statement, "AUUC is an open and nurturing community of faith. We foster each individual's spiritual journey, and we share a common values while honoring a diversity of beliefs. Together, we cherish our connection to nature, and we act to transform our world into a more embracing and just community."

The nearly 325 member congregation was begun in 1980 and holds services in the church built in 1995 on a parcel of land nearby Burke Lake, off the Fairfax County Parkway located at 10125 Lakehaven Court, Burke, Va.

Americans Against Escalation in Iraq is a group of independent entities, including the Service Employees International Union, MoveOn.org Political Action, VoteVets.org, Center for American Progress Action Fund, U.S. Action, Win Without War, Americans United for Change, Campus Progress Action and Nation Security Network.

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