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NATURECOAST COALITION FOR PEACE & JUSTICE (West Central Florida)

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**PEACE VIGIL ON IRAQ WAR & IMPACT ON  
SOCIAL SERVICE CUTS, WEDNESDAY EVENING  
IN SPRING HILL (Hernando County);**

**DEMONSTRATION AGAINST IRAQ WAR SATURDAY AT WEEKI  
WACHEE CORNER IN SPRING HILL**

Spring Hill, Florida, Tuesday, December 13, 2005:

The NatureCoast Coalition for Peace and Justice will hold a peace vigil on the Iraq war this Wednesday evening, December 14th, from 6 to 7 PM, in Spring Hill, at the northwest corner of Mariner Blvd. & Northcliff Rd (across the street from Hess gas station and Publix store; and adjacent to Region's Bank in the Kash & Kerry parking lot). Mariner is approximately 5 miles east of U.S. 19 on Northcliff; and the same distance south of state road 50 on Mariner Blvd.

The vigil will be co-sponsored by the "Peace Now Citrus County Group" and the Florida Consumer Action Network (FCAN) based in Tampa but with members throughout the region.

The event will also highlight people's concern over congress's recent actions to cut social services totaling \$50 billion that will affect the poor, students, single mothers, etc. The cost of the war, which now exceeds \$200 billion, is directly impacting domestic services.

Nationwide, there will be over 100 organized vigils simultaneously, in conjunction with a faith-based effort of the National Council of Churches, to show compassion for Americans in need, and how this war is impacting those efforts adversely.

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**SPRING HILL WILL BE SITE OF A SATURDAY COALITION  
DEMONSTRATION AGAINST IRAQ WAR, DECEMBER 17TH, 10 AM  
to 12 Noon, ACROSS FROM WEEKI WACHEE PARK**

A two-hour demonstration against the Iraq War will take place at the coalition's traditional corner of U.S. Highway 19 & State Road 50 (Cortez Blvd.), across the street from the Weeki Wachee Park, on Saturday, December 17th, from 10 AM to 12 noon.

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