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Back in 1973 or 74 The National Observer had an op-ed calling Monument Ave the most beautiful avenue next to the Champs-Elysees in Paris. A national newspaper!

Please consider repurposing the pedestals! I think they're unique and beautiful on their own. There can be new plaques added to honor other people. I would like to see Virginia's Native American tribes honored, for instance. Wouldn't the Jefferson Davis monument really lend itself to Pocahontas or Chief Powhatan? Or maybe honoring Richmond's veterans or first responders. Or reminding people about special events in Richmond's history.

Surely there are ways to repurpose them. Don't get rid of them too fast. Live with them awhile. I'll bet there are some great ideas out there. Once they're gone, there's no taking it back! Might be more cost effective, too, to just clean them up and cover the names.

Help Monument Ave remain the most beautiful avenue!

Thank you for your consideration. K Boepple