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- 1. Until action at a National Encampment, all Departments and Camps will not acquire real estate. Existing ownership of Department or Camp owned real estate is not affected by this General Order.
- 2. Real estate is defined as "Land and things permanently attached to it, such as buildings, houses, stationary mobile homes, fences and trees. Real estate is also called real property." (Definition from Nolo's Plain-English Law Dictionary)
- 3. When a Camp closes property and assets shall be turned over to the National Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War via the Department Commander of the affected Camp acting as his duly authorized representative, to collect and hold all such property in trust for the National Organization Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, an organization exempt from taxes under section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code. (Regulations, Chapter I, Article I, Section 5)
- 4. The Constitution and Regulations and our Capitalization Policy is mute on the subject of real estate as covered by the above requirement (#3).
- 5. All Departments and Camp which own real estate must send an email to the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief at SVCinC@suvcw.org describing what type of real estate is owned and its address.
- 6. The Council of Administration will study and suggest a course of action on the acquisition of real estate. This will include, but not limited to, standards for real estate we already own, minimum coverage in liability policies, and making sure the National Organization is named as a co-insured entity. The CofA will engage the Program and Policy Committee and Constitution and Regulations Committee for a proposal to be presented to a National Encampment body.

Ordered this 29<sup>th</sup> Day of October, 2019.

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Attested:

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