Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War General Orders No. 7 Series 1999-2000 Danny L. Wheeler, Commander-in-Chief 501 Willow Ave Ithaca, NY 14850 607-272-7314 suvcwdw@clarityconnect.com (e-mail)

- 1. The Council of Administration (CoA) meeting was held on March 25, 2000 in Erie, Pennsylvania. The CoA voted to proceed with our National Headquarters in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. I am hoping to sign the contracts by June of this year. The museum will open in November 2000 and we should be in our new office by then. The CoA is also close to naming an Executive Director.
- 2. I would like to thank Brother Todd Shillington, our National Secretary, who has provided us with the minutes of the CoA meeting and Brother Keith Harrison, PC-in-C, for getting them on our web site in less then a week. I believe this is a record you both can be proud of. On behalf of the Order, we say thank you for a job well done.
- 3. I would also like to ask all departments to send an up-to-date head count of all members to our National Secretary. With reports coming in late, which was National's fault, we need a complete head count. Please send this in the next 30 days.
- 4. As Commander-in-Chief, I would like to point out a problem that has occurred in at least one department regarding geographical divisions. No department can require or force adherence to such boundaries on its members or camps. No Camp can insist on it's little geographical area, as theirs and theirs alone. There is absolutely no provision with in the SUVCW Constitution and Regulations that permits this. It is the member's decision as to which camp he wants to join. Therefore, any and all department or camp bylaw, policy, practice, or tradition that states or references the existence of such boundaries or the control over a given geographical boundary is hereby ruled to be null and void.

By Order of: Danny L. Wheeler Commander-in-Chief

Attest: Todd A. Shillington National Secretary

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