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Candidacy for Commander-in-Chief

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Brothers,

It has been my great honor to serve you and this Order for the past year as Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief. I sincerely believe that I have made every effort to promote the Order and to represent the interests of all Brothers from across the organization with the utmost effort and consideration within my capabilities. With this letter, I am seeking your support for my candidacy and your vote for election to Commander-in-Chief of the Order at the 2025 National Encampment in Houston, Texas.

A Life Member of the SUVCW, I have been active in the Order for over 25 years. I trace my lineage through my 4th great grandfather, Sergeant Charles E. Elwell, who served in Company H, 11th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, formed in Dorchester, Massachusetts.

As a proud veteran of the United States Air Force, where I served from 1977 until 1981, I served as an Aircraft Maintenance Specialist (Crew Chief) on F-4D Phantom II and F-16 Fighting Falcon fighter aircraft with the 430th Aircraft Maintenance Unit of the 474th Tactical Fighter Wing at Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada.

Along with military service to my country, I have an extensive record of continuous service to this Order, serving as the current Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief and former Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. Prior to those offices, I served on the National Council of Administration for 6 years. I held the appointed office of National Civil War Memorials Officer from 2007 to 2010. I currently hold the position of Chairman of

the National Committee on Marketing and Promotions, as well as Chairman of the National Committee on Membership in my role as Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief.

I served on the National Encampment Site Committee for 7 years, including as Chairman for 5 years. I have held appointments to the National Committee on Civil War Memorials, and National Special Committee on Website Redesign, and served as an Aide to National Civil War Memorials Committee from 2010 to 2017.

I currently hold a commission as a Major in the Sons of Veterans Reserve, where I serve as the District Commander for the First Military District, covering the Departments of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut.

I am a Past Commander of the Department of Massachusetts (2009-2011) and am currently a member of the Department Council. I also serve as the Department Counselor. In the past, I have served in every elected position in the Department of Massachusetts, including Department Secretary and Department Treasurer.

I chaired the Department of Massachusetts National Encampment Host Committee from 2005 to 2008, for the 2008 National Encampment in Peabody, Massachusetts, and as a Department of Massachusetts National Encampment Host Committee Member from 2015 to 2018 for the 2018 National Encampment in Framingham, Massachusetts. I also served as a member of the Department of New Hampshire National Encampment Host Committee for the 2023 National Encampment in Nashua, New Hampshire.

I initiated an annual Department and Regional trip to Gettysburg for Remembrance Day weekend over 25 years ago, which still continues each November. 25 years ago, I also initiated, and continue to organize, the Department of Massachusetts Annual Abraham Lincoln Birthday Brunch each February. The Department of Massachusetts has rendered me the great honor of awarding me their annual Roger L. Olsen Award as the Department's outstanding Brother of the year, three times.

I have also served my fellow New England Brothers three times as Commander of the New England Regional Association of the SUVCW.

At the Camp level, I served as Charles H. Bond Camp No. 104 Commander 2001-2002. I am a charter Member of General Frederick W. Lander Camp No. 5 in Lynn, Massachusetts, as well as a charter Member of the Colonel Robert Gould Shaw Camp No. 54 in Boston, Massachusetts. I have held elected and appointed office in Charles H. Bond Camp No. 104, General Frederick W. Lander Camp No. 5, and Colonel Robert Gould Shaw Camp No. 54.

In my professional life, I have been employed in the Information Technology field for over 25 years. After working for several large international commercial real estate investment companies during my career, for the past 8 years I have served as the Information Technology Director for a small nonprofit company that delivers services and programs for adults with mental disabilities.

With a lifetime of serving others, my professional and personal background, and my extensive leadership and experience within our Order, I feel that I can continue to make a great impact as your Commander-in-Chief. I respectfully ask for your support and your vote at the 2025 National Encampment in Houston.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,



Kevin P. Tucker, PDC

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief