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Lobbying – A Reminder to our Order

Recently, I have received a number of thoughtful inquiries regarding lobbying from both the Camp and Department levels. Being watchful of current events that may have an effect on our mission is our duty as Brothers and I am personally grateful to all who cherish this obligation. Directly related, an important facet to remember when representing our Order are those requirements we as a 501 (c) (3) entity are also bound to follow. Fortunately, General Order #14, Series 2020 – 2021, issued on April 13, 2020 by then Commander-in-Chief Brian C. Pierson entitled “Lobbying” is an excellent resource as it speaks directly to what we as an Order can and cannot do.

Therefore, I strongly encourage every Brother to take time to refamiliarize themselves with each feature of General Order #14. We have made great strides to position our Order as a highly respected and professional organization. Therefore, as we formulate and employ strategies, now and in the future, to honor our ancestors and their noble service, we recognize and embrace that total compliance with General Order #14 is not an option – it is a must.

Again, please review General Order #14 and take each provision into full consideration. For your convenience, you may follow the below link to access and carefully read the Order. Thank you again for your continued commitment to the tenets our Order and as always, I personally thank you for your support.

<https://suvchw.org/sites/default/files/2022-11/GO-14-Lobbying.pdf>

This Special Message is issued this 14th day of March, 2025.

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Attest:

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