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**General Order #1
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1. To all the brothers in attendance at the 137th National Encampment in Framingham, Massachusetts, I thank you for your continued support and faith in me demonstrated by your trusting me with this high office and responsibility. I thank the brothers of the Department of Massachusetts, the Department Host Committee and our own National Site Committee for an excellent encampment.
2. The headquarters for the Commander in Chief is hereby moved from Lynchburg, Virginia, to 3914 Larchmont Street, Flint, Michigan 48532. Mail for the Commander in Chief should be sent to that address. Electronic communications are the preferred method of correspondence and may be made to CinC@sucvw.org. Telephone communications should be used for urgent or emergency matters only at 810-513-3362.
3. There are four major areas I would like to see substantial progress in this year, and on which I intend to work diligently. They are:
 - a. Membership growth and retention
 - b. Increased public awareness of the Order – We should no longer be the best kept secret in America.
 - c. Extension of 501(c)(3) status to the Departments and Camps
 - d. Visits to each Department at least once in my term. It may not be for the Department Encampment, but if not it will be for some other notable event in the Department.
4. Progress is underway to bring increased technological capability to our Headquarters in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. This area also needs to be pursued to completion.
5. I urge all members to visit our National Web page and to become familiar with the information that can be found there. It is a fine way to learn about how your Order works as well as to relay useful information. I further urge all Department Webmasters or in the alternative the Department Commander to see that their web pages are regularly updated so as to keep you membership informed of the happenings within your department.
6. My congratulations to the newly elected heads of the Allied Orders. I look forward to working with all of you so we may have a mutually productive year in keeping green the memory of the boys in blue, 1861 to 1865.
7. The National Headquarters continues to be located at 1 Lincoln Circle at Reservoir Park, Suite 240, Harrisburg, PA 17103-2411, Phone (717) 232-7000. Communications to the Executive Director should go there. Email Execdir@sucvw.org.
8. All financial correspondence should be directed to our National Treasurer, David McReynolds, at 4323 Near Shore Drive, Louisville, Tennessee 37777-5231. Phone (865) 981-2854. Email Treasurer@sucvw.org.

9. All other correspondence should go to the National Secretary, Jonathan Davis at 240 Merriman Drive, West Jefferson, Ohio 43162. Phone (614) 745-6079. Email Secretary@suvcw.org.
10. The Commander in Chief's travel schedule will be coordinated by National Chief of Staff Terry McKinch. 3278 S. Duffield Road, Lennon, Michigan 48449-9407. (810) 553-3509. Email terry.mckinch@sucwmi.org.
11. The National Chief of Staff shall also coordinate the collection and distribution of reports from elected officers, appointed officers, National Committee Chairs and Department Commanders so as to report their activities, any problems, and their recommendations to the Council of Administration for each of its meeting in November and April, as well as to the 2019 Encampment for its meeting in August, 2019. The Chief of Staff shall call for said reports which shall be supplied by the officer involved in a timely fashion.
12. National Chaplain Jerome Kowalski, 206 E. Grantley Ave, Elmhurst, Illinois, should be contacted to report a deceased brother's full name, date of passing, Camp and Department name, and his Union Ancestor and that individuals rank and unit. Brother Jerry's email is pptom@msn.com.
13. Requests for SUVCW ROTC awards should be sent to National Quartermaster (ROTC Coordinator) George Shadman, 99 Elizabeth Drive, Barbersville, Virginia 22923. His Email is rotc@sucwv.org. Email should be used if possible for this business.
14. All Camps and Departments should submit articles for the BANNER to Banner Editor James B. Pahl, PCinC, 445 W. Maple Street, Mason, Michigan 48854-1519. Phone (517) 676-1471. Email Banner@sucwv.org.
15. One of our brothers deserving of recognition for his recruiting activities who was not mentioned at the last National Encampment is Ed Ruger Gibson of Ruger Camp #1, Department of North Carolina. For his efforts I appoint him a National Aide, entitling him to wear the national ribbon beneath his members badge during my term in office, commemorating the effort he has made. Well done Brother Gibson.
16. Patriotic Instructors at all levels of the Order are encouraged to prepare and impart patriotic instruction to our members so as to inspire them to the continuation of the good works our Order does on nearly a daily basis. Also, to this end, Patriotic Instructors are encouraged to start a journal listing the good works of our members and camps. Remember, there will come a time when you will need to report the good works of your brothers and your camps to your counterparts at the Department and National level of the Order. Such a journal, compiled day by day and week by week, will make this reporting obligation easier and more complete when you are called upon to make it.

Ordered this 31st Day of August, 2018

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Attested:

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