TO: All Companions of the Military Order of the World Wars

SUBJECT: 2022 Military Order of the World Wars’ Phoenician Award Essay Contest

I am proud to announce that the Operating Year 2022 Military Order of the World Wars National Phoenician Award Essay Contest will commence on 01 September 2022. Our national essay contest is returning after a two-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This year’s contest will offer a change which we hope will improve participation, competition, and the overall quality of the program. In previous years, only the outstanding student from each Youth Leadership Conference (YLC) was eligible to compete in the contest. This year we are opening the contest to the outstanding student, as well as the 1st runner up, and the 2nd runner up from each YLC. This change will bring in more contest participants, increase the level of competition as well as expose more students to this great opportunity.

The appropriate sections of the MOWW Policy Manual and MOWW forms will be updated to reflect this change. Until then, all YLC Directors and Chapter Companions are encouraged to promote and prepare eligible students for the contest.

Lastly, I have approved the following question as the 2022 Phoenician Award essay question which requires the student to take a position and defend it. “Should voter laws be established by the Federal Government or individual states as they are currently?”

Please ensure that we inform our eligible YLC students who attended a YLC during the 2021-2022 school year about this exceptional opportunity.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Sincerely,

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