



# MILITARY ORDER OF THE WORLD WARS

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

**SUBJECT:** 2023 Phoenician Award Essay Contest Announcement

I am proud to announce that the Operating Year 2023 Military Order of the World Wars National Phoenician Award Essay Contest will commence today, 1 September 2023.

The contest is open to the outstanding student, 1st runner-up, and 2nd runner-up from each Youth Leadership Conference (YLC) conducted in the previous Operating Year. Forty-eight students from the sixteen YLCs held during 2022-2023 will have the opportunity to compete in this year's contest. The contest details are available in the MOWW Policy Manual and the MOWW forms (12-series) are posted to [moww.org](http://moww.org).

The following is the approved question for the 2023 Phoenician Award Essay Contest. Each participating student is to take a position on the below question and defend that position.

“Should any one person, Senator or Representative, be able to hold up congressional legislation?”

Please reach out to our eligible YLC attendees to inform and encourage them to participate in the Phoenician Essay Contest.

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