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Mackinac Island Memorial Dedication Appreciation

By the authority vested in me as Commander, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1 – On Saturday, 19 August 2017, the Department of Michigan performed the 1917 GAR monument dedication ceremony for a new Civil War monument on Mackinac Island. The ceremony was part of a larger event held by city officials of Mackinac Island. Numerous members of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic either attended or participated. Members attended from across the state from Marquette to Jackson and from Bay City to Traverse City. This fact is an excellent testament to the dedication of the fine members of the Department of Michigan. Thank you to each and every one of you!

Section 2 – Appreciation is extended to PDC David Wallace and Sid DeHaan of Mackinac Island for taking the steps to begin the process of having the Department of Michigan involved with the dedication of the new Civil War monument. Thank you is in order for Star Line Ferry Service in providing us safe and enjoyable passage to the Island at a reduced rate.

Section 3 – Gratitude is extended to Captain L. Dean Lamphere, Jr., PDC and Company A, 14th Michigan Infantry, Sons of Veterans Reserve, and the additional Brothers of the Department that fell in line with them to serve as the Color Guard for our ceremony. Your well executed entrance into the park grabbed a hold of the attention of all in attendance. Additionally, a big thank you is given to the American Legion Post 299 for their Color Guard in support.

Section 4 – Appreciation goes to Auxiliary Department President June Lloyd and Department Vice President Connie Horning for leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Additionally, thank you to Bugler Thelma Paul of Bugles Across America and her continued and enthusiastic support of SUVCW ceremonies.

Section 5 – Finally, much appreciation is extended to Camp No. 14 CSVC and Chaplain John Lantzer for serving as the ceremony Chaplain. Brother Lantzer, your passion as Chaplain was clearly on display – job well done Brother.

The preceding Department Order is proclaimed this twenty-sixth day of August in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen, the one hundred and fifty-first year since the founding of the Grand Army of the Republic, and of the two hundred and forty-first year of Independence of these United States of America.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

/s/

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ATTEST:

/s/

Richard Denney, CC
Secretary, Department of Michigan
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War