## **Change of Command**

By the authority vested in me as National President of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (ASUVCW), and the National Constitution, Rules and Regulations, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1: At the August 3, 2024 National Encampment of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic in Lexington, Kentucky, I was elected and installed as National President of this great Order, the ASUVCW. I thank all those who have supported and encouraged me over the years. I am honored by those Sisters who have shown such trust and great confidence in my abilities by electing me to the highest position in the Order. As such, I will endeavor to perform each of the duties of this office in a manner befitting our Order and our Civil War Union ancestors.

Section 2: I extend a sincere "thank you" to the National Encampment Host Committee and the Department of Kentucky and affiliated Sisters for their efforts resulting in a successful Encampment. The large business meeting spaces were much appreciated.

Section 3: On behalf of the ASUVCW, I extend congratulations and best wishes to the National Heads of the Allied Orders: National President Cher Petrovic of the Woman's Relief Corps; National President Erin Mongelli of the Ladies of Grand Army of the Republic; National President Norma Fiedler of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865; and especially, Commander-in-Chief Kevin Martin of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. I look forward to our organizations working together and strengthening our relationships during the coming year. As true Allied Orders, we will increase our success in our mission to perpetuate the memory of the "Boys in Blue."

Section 4: The theme for the 2024-2025 term is to Honor, Protect, Remember, and Rejuvenate. Honor our Boys in Blue, Protect their memory, Remember them and our ASUVCW objectives, and Rejuvenate our Organization. We have much to do, and your involvement is crucial. With all your input and shared knowledge of our Order, our objectives and goals are possible.

Section 5: The Headquarters of the National President is hereby transferred to 8209 Skipwith Drive, Frederick, Maryland 21702-9499. All written correspondence for the National President may be posted to that address. Electronic communications are the preferred method of correspondence and may be sent to <a href="mailto:President@asuvcw.org">President@asuvcw.org</a>. Matters of an urgent and emergency nature can be transmitted to my home phone number in the <a href="mailto:MEMBERS ONLY">MEMBERS ONLY</a> area on the national website <a href="https://asuvcw.org">https://asuvcw.org</a>. If I do not answer, please do leave a message.

Section 6: National Personal Aide No. 1 Denise Thompson, Personal Aide 1@asuvcw.org, will assist the National President in coordinating the National President's schedule and should be carbon copied (CC) on all scheduling emails to the National President. Requests for the National President's attendance at Department Encampments, meetings, and other events should be directed to National President's address, President@asuvcw.org. Please keep in mind that the National President's schedule fills up quickly, and notifications would be appreciated well in advance. I have scheduled events for the following weekends: October 12, 2024, October 19, 2024, November 2, 2024, November 16, 2024, December 7, 2024, March 29, 2025, and April 12, 2025.

Section 7: Correspondence regarding the finances of the Order or issues with the IRS such as filing your 990-N or obtaining an EIN should be directed to National Treasurer Amy Miller, Email: treasurer@asuvcw.org.

<u>Section 8:</u> All other correspondence to the Order should be directed to National Secretary Nancy Hilton, PNP, Email: <u>secretary@asuvcw.org.</u>

<u>Section 9</u>: All applications for membership not being handled directly by an Auxiliary or Department should be directed to National Vice President Sue Freshley, PNP, Email: <u>vicepresident@asuvcw.org</u>. If they are Member-at-Large applications, she will ensure they transfer to <u>MALCoordinator1@asuvcw.org</u> and <u>MALCoordinator2@asuvcw.org</u>.n

<u>Section 10:</u> All information regarding illnesses, deaths or other distress affecting the Allied Orders should be directed to National Chaplain Connie Horning, Email: <a href="mailto:chaplain@asuvcw.org">chaplain@asuvcw.org</a>. If you wish to have a private discussion with her, please include your phone number. Such information should be forwarded as soon as possible to ensure a timely response.

Section 11: Digital versions of all official communications to the membership will be found on the national website <a href="https://asuvcw.org">https://asuvcw.org</a>. Such communications may include, but not be limited to, General Orders, Special Orders, and the national newsletter "The Auxiliary Voice." Any updates or changes for the national website should be directed to National Webmaster, Email: <a href="https://www.org">webmaster@asuvcw.org</a>.

Section 12: The national newsletter "The Auxiliary Voice" is scheduled to be published four times a year using the following submission deadline dates: September 7<sup>th</sup>, January 7<sup>th</sup>, April 7<sup>th</sup>, and June 7<sup>h</sup>. The newsletter will include information from and for the membership. Your contributions to the newsletter are vital. Even supplying a photo and a short description is important to share your noble works. Please submit articles or photos with captions for consideration to National Newsletter Editor Karen Schwarz, Email: asuvcwnewsletter@yahoo.com.

Section 13: All Auxiliary supplies for sale requests should be directed to the National Supply Officer Sue Freshley, PNP, Email: <a href="mailto:supplyofficer@asuvw.org">supplyofficer@asuvw.org</a>.

Section 13: The National Press Correspondent compiles newspaper items of interest and photos for the National Historian as well as to the National Personal Aide. Please assist her by submitting articles and photos of Sisters doing the good work of our order. Materials for consideration should be sent to National Press Correspondent Colleen Swafford, Email: <a href="mailto:presscorrespondent@asuvcw.org">presscorrespondent@asuvcw.org</a>.

The foregoing General Order is proclaimed this 11th day of August in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-eighth, in the City of Frederick, County of Frederick, State of Maryland.

Isl Rosemary Martin
National President, ASUVCW

ATTEST: By: *Isl* Nancy Hilton, PNP National Secretary