Department Order No. 1

Headquarters of Maryland, May 5, 2009

1. Having been elected Department Commander by the delegates present at the 122nd Annual Encampment of the Department of Maryland, SUVCW, held in Richmond, Virginia, April 18, 2009, the headquarters for the department is hereby established at 11901 Branchwater Street, Fredericksburg, VA 22407.

2. I extend my sincere appreciation and gratitude to the members of the Department of Maryland for electing me as your commander. I will strive at all times to live up to the trust you have placed in me.

3. I further extend my thanks to Brothers Neil Hanlon, PDC, and Eugene Mortorff for organizing a successful encampment.

4. Pursuant to the announcement at the encampment, I hereby publish the following appointments of officers for the Department of Maryland for the coming year.

Counselor: Andrew M. Johnson, PCinC Chaplain: Charles "Chuck" Odell, PCC Patriotic Instructor: Jeffrey French Graves Registration Officer: Steve Hammond, PDC Monuments Registration Officer: Robert H. Moore II Eagle Scout Coordinator: A. Kendall Chew III, PDC Signals Officer: Christopher D. Holcombe Sr. Webmaster: Christopher D. Holcombe Sr. Historian: James R, Hanby Sr., PDC Newsletter: Jeffrey French New Camp Formation Officer: Jeffrey French

5. I look forward to a productive year and request all camps send me notification of their meetings and special events. I will attempt to visit every camp within the Department at least once during the coming year.

6. The 123rd Department Encampment will be held in Harpers Ferry, West Virginia. Details on the date and specific location will be announced.

7. Building on the legacy of my predecessors, my goals for the coming year are to continue recruiting efforts, address membership retention, improve communications within the department and establish new camps.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Michael Paquette

Department Commander Department of Maryland Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War