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DATE: 25 August 2022

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RE: 2022 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

Brothers of the Department of Michigan,

The Department of Michigan had the honor this year to host the 2022 National Encampment. This year's encampment ran from August 11th through August 14th and was held in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The Department of Michigan is no stranger to hosting National Encampments, with the last National Encampment being held in 2017 in Lansing.

I want to commend and personally thank PCinC James Pahl and his host committee team for the outstanding work done with all of the planning and organization to put on this event. Throughout the several-day encampment, I had numerous attendees, including several National Officers and Department Commanders, express how much they enjoyed this well-put-together National Encampment. Thank you for your hard work, time, and dedication to making this event successful.

Congratulations are in order for our own PCinC Donald Shaw, who was elected National Quartermaster, and PDC Robert Payne, who was elected to a seat on the National Council of Administration. May you have a productive and successful first term representing such a great organization in your new positions.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Nathan L. Smith, PCC
Commander, Department of Michigan
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ATTEST:

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