

## SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

## OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

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**DATE**: 25 May 2023

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## **RE: MEMORIAL DAY 2023**

Whereas, this being the 155<sup>th</sup> year since General John Logan called for a national day of remembrance for Civil War dead and issued General Order No. 11 instituting the observance of Memorial Day on May30th:

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:

- I hereby call all Brothers and Camps, to the observance of Memorial Day, both the observed on Monday May 29<sup>th</sup> and the true Memorial Day on Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>.
- I ask that all Brothers encourage this observance, not only through our activities, but also by actively reminding others of the real reason we commemorate this day.
- I call on all Brothers to visit the graves of our forefathers in the Grand Army of the Republic and veterans in all conflicts, in an expression of gratitude, where so many Americans gave their last full measure to keep America united and free.

This is so ordered, on the twenty-fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three and the one hundred and fifty-seventh year since the founding of the Grand Army of the Republic.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Gary L. Swain

Gary L. Swain, PCC Commander, Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

ATTEST:

/s/

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