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TO: Squadron Adjutants

FR: Jeff Van Horn, Detachment Adjutant

RE: 2028 Dues Increase

Mr. Adjutants,

Resolution #2026-C7 titled Finance Commission Dues Increase Recommendation passed at our Detachment Convention, held July 10-11, 2026, by the Convention Delegates. Department of Illinois also passed this Resolution.

This increase will begin with the 2028 membership card. The per capita will increase \$5 (five) dollars, raising the per capita to a total of \$18 (eighteen) dollars per member. Five-year cards will be \$18 times 5, totaling \$90 (ninety). The Paid-Up-For-Life (PUFL) will also be updated.

Please remember that it is very important when you receive the Squadron Data Report in February/early March to get that filled out and submitted according to the instructions on the form. Failure to do so will result in online renewals being charged your rate on file. Failure to do so by the cut-off date on that form could also result in this happening.

The National American Legion has rumored to be raising the per capita on the Sons within the next couple of years. This per capita increase we have implemented can sustain up to a \$2 (two) National increase. Any amount above that will result in another increase at the Detachment's end.

We encourage you to push 5-year cards this year! Instructions are in your packet. We do not allow 5-year cards to "back pay" owed dues and you are unable to "extend" current 5-year cards longer to maintain the lower per capita rate.

We will be reminding everyone of the upcoming increase and the value of 5-year cards throughout the entire year.