

WILLIAM TECUMSEH SHERMAN CAMP #28
Department of California and Pacific
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
(Amended and Revised, March 16, 2019)

CAMP BYLAWS

PREAMBLE

We, the descendants of Soldiers, Sailors or Marines who served in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Revenue Cutter Service or Navy of the United States of America during the War of the Rebellion from 1861 to 1865, have joined this patriotic and fraternal Order for the purposes and objects set forth by the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; and in so doing pledge ourselves to commemorate our forefathers' deeds; to render loyal service to our country; and, to promote the maintenance of unqualified American citizenship with respect for and honor to the flag.

Article I
NAME

Section 1: The Camp shall be constituted and remain constituted as provided by the Constitution and Regulations governing the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and shall be known as the William Tecumseh Sherman Camp No. 28, Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Article II
ORGANIZATION

Section 1: The Camp is organized as an unincorporated association under the laws of the State of California and is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes under section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code.

Article III
ELIGIBILITY TO MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: All male descendants, whether through lineal or collateral line of ages specified in Article VII of this Constitution who are blood relatives of soldiers, sailors, marines or members of the Revenue Cutter Service, who were regularly mustered and served honorably in, were honorably discharged from, or died in the service of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps or Revenue

Cutter Service of the United States of America or such State regiments as were called into active service and were subject to orders of United States general officers, during the War of the Rebellion between April 12, 1861 and April 9, 1865; who have never been convicted of any infamous or heinous crime; and who have, or whose ancestors through whom membership is claimed have, never voluntarily borne arms against the Government of the United States of America shall have eligibility to membership.

Article IV ACTIVITIES NOT IN FURTHERANCE OF EXEMPT PURPOSES

Section 1: EXEMPT PURPOSES. No part of the net earnings, if any, of this unincorporated association, shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers or other private persons, except that the unincorporated association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes described in section 501(c)3. No substantial part of the activities of the unincorporated association shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the unincorporated association shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Bylaws, the unincorporated association shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an unincorporated association exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an unincorporated association, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)2 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Article V PROTECTION OF JUNIORS AND JUNIOR ASSOCIATES

Section 1: JUNIORS AND JUNIOR ASSOCIATES; PROTECTION OF MEMBERS. It is the intention of this Camp to properly safeguard the youth within our Order. To that extent: (a) All Junior and Junior Associates shall be accompanied by a parent or person designated as a guardian (i.e., an adult who is 18 years of age or older) when participating in any SUVCW/Sons of Veterans Reserve (SVR) activity.

(b) Unless a designated guardian, at no time will a non-relative SUVCW/SVR Brother be permitted one-on-one contact with a Junior or Junior Associate. Any non-relative interaction with a Junior or Junior Associate must include, at all times, at least two SUVCW/ASUVCW Brothers/Sisters who are 18 years of age or older.

(c) Any SUVCW Brother who witnesses or, in good faith, suspects any type of physical, mental or sexual abuse of any Junior or Junior Associate, shall immediately report such suspicion to local law enforcement first, and to the appropriate Camp Commander immediately thereafter. The Camp Commander shall notify Camp elected officers.

(d) Although not mandatory, it is highly suggested that every SUVCW Brother who is 18 years of age or older, who may have contact with a Junior or Junior Associate, should complete training related to protecting children from abuse of any type.

(e) All SUVCW Brothers must comply with all applicable Local, State and Federal laws pertaining to child abuse.

Article VI CAMP MEETINGS

Section 1: Formal Camp meetings are generally held at 1:30 P.M. at the Santa Barbara Genealogical Society Sahyun Library, 316 Castillo Street, Santa Barbara, CA on odd numbered months (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, and Nov.). The Camp Commander may change, cancel, or call special meetings on other dates, time or locations as circumstances require.

Section 2: The Secretary shall timely notify members by e-mail of meeting dates, time, and location.

Section 3. QUORUM. A quorum for regular and special meetings shall consist of five (5) eligible voting members, three (3) of whom shall be elected officers. At no time shall business be transacted if the number of Associates in attendance exceeds forty-nine percent (49%) of the total attendance then present at said meeting.

Article VII OFFICERS

Section 1: ELECTED OFFICERS of a Camp shall be: Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, Secretary, Treasurer (or Secretary-Treasurer), three Members of the Camp Council. The Commander, Secretary and Treasurer shall not serve on the Camp Council.

Section 2: APPOINTED OFFICERS of a Camp shall be as follows: a Chaplain, a Patriotic Instructor, a Counselor, a Historian, a Guide, a Color Bearer, a Guard, a Signals Officer, a Graves Registration Officer, a Civil War Memorials Officer, a GAR Highway Officer, a Newsletter Editor, a GAR Records Officer, and assistants or aides as necessary. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Bylaws, these, and any other appointive officers, standing committee, or ad hoc committee members, shall be appointed by the Camp Commander as he deems necessary and proper.

Section 3: The Camp Commander, Senior and Junior Vice Camp Commander, Camp Council, Secretary, Treasurer (or Secretary-Treasurer), Delegates and Alternates shall be elected at a regular meeting of the Camp between the first meeting in October and the first meeting in December, inclusive. A quorum required to be present at a Camp meeting for the election of officers shall be five (5) members in good standing. A majority vote shall be required to elect all elective officers, except members of Camp Council, Delegates and Alternates, who shall be

elected by a plurality vote. On assuming office, the Commander shall appoint all other Camp officers.

Section 4: The officers of Camps shall be installed at a regular meeting of the Camp to be held between the first meeting in September, and the first meeting in the following January, inclusive, by a person designated by the Department Commander who shall make report thereof upon the prescribed blanks furnished to him. Said dates of election, and installation to be fixed by each Department and become part of the Department By-Laws. The Council of Administration shall have authority to grant exceptions to the dates prescribed by these Regulations for Camp elections and installations of Officers, when requested, for adequate reasons, by a Department.

Section 5: Any vacancy which may occur in an elective office of a Camp shall be filled temporarily by the officer next in rank. Such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by the Camp Council. Rank of officers at the Camp level:

Commander

Senior Vice Commander

Junior Vice Commander

Secretary

Treasurer

Chair of the Camp Council

Member of the Council (longest serving has priority, if two competing have same seniority, then alphabetically, beginning with A)

Patriotic Instructor

Chaplain

Counselor

Historian

Graves Registration Officer

Memorials Officer

Guide

Color Bearer

Guard

Currently serving elected National Officer

Currently serving elected Department Officer

Past Commander-in-Chief

Past Department Commander

Past Camp Commander

Brother of Camp with longest time as brother of the Order

Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator

Signals Officer

Recruiting Officer

Welfare Committee

Section 6: DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS. In addition to the duties prescribed in the National Constitution and Regulations, the following shall apply to Elected Camp Officers:
Camp Commander- The purpose of the office of Commander is to direct and to provide oversight of Camp operations in order to foster and promote the goals and objects of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. The Commander shall preside at all meetings of the Camp. He shall decide all questions of order without debate, subject, however, to an appeal to the Camp. It shall be his duty to detail all officers and appoint all committees (of which he shall be a member ex-officio) not otherwise provided for, approve all orders or requisitions made on the Treasurer or Camp Council for appropriations of money, or any property of the Camp, and perform all other duties pertaining to his office. The activities of the Camp Commander should include:

- (a) Presiding at all meetings of the Camp.
- (b) Appointing the appointed officers and all committees.
- (c) Become familiar with all SUVCW forms that are utilized for conducting the business of the Camp, especially those that require the Commander's signature, and ensure that all reports are submitted to the Department by the specified time
- (d) Ensuring that the Camp officers and committees do their jobs.
- (e) Representing the Camp at community functions.
- (f) Becoming familiar with the Camp's and Department's Bylaws and the Order's Constitution and Regulations.
- (g) Keeping the membership informed by issuing "Camp Orders", attested to by the Camp Secretary.
- (h) Consulting with Past Camp Commanders for advice on Camp matters.
- (i) Becoming familiar with the duties of the office as set forth in the Order's Ritual and Ceremonials.
- (j) Serving as liaison between the Camp and Department.

Camp Senior Vice Commander- The purpose of the office of Senior Vice Commander is to assist the Commander, promote the Order and preside at Camp meetings in the absence of the Commander. The Senior Vice Commander shall assist the Commander and shall perform such duties as pertain to their office. The activities of the Camp Senior Vice Commander should include:

- (a) Presiding at Camp meetings in the absence of the Camp Commander.
- (b) Acting as a personal representative upon the request from the Camp Commander.
- (c) Gathering appropriate data about Camp activities and forwarding to the Department Senior Vice Commander.
- (d) Promoting Camp activities in the local media.
- (e) Publishing a Camp newsletter.
- (f) Scheduling informative programs for Camp meetings.
- (g) Carrying out other responsibilities delegated to the position by the Camp Bylaws, Camp and Camp Commander.

Camp Junior Vice Commander- The purpose of the office of Junior Vice Commander is to assist with the recruitment and retention of Brothers (Members, Associates, and Juniors). The Junior Vice Commander shall assist the Commander and shall perform such duties as pertain to their office. The activities of the Camp Junior Vice Commander should include:

- (a) Contacting prospective Brothers whose names are supplied to the Camp by the Department Junior Vice Commander.
- (b) Supplying prospective Brothers with membership materials including two membership applications, a copy of a SUVCW organization descriptive leaflet, and an invitation to the next Camp meeting.
- (c) Keeping track of applicants' progress in completing membership applications.
- (d) Encouraging delinquent Brothers to remain in the Order.
- (e) Presiding at Camp meetings in the absence of both the Camp Commander and Senior Vice Camp Commander.
- (f) Carrying out other responsibilities delegated to the office by the Camp Bylaws, Camp and Camp Commander.

The Camp Secretary- The purpose of the office of Secretary is to keep the minutes of the meetings and to carry on necessary correspondence for the Camp or Department.

- (a) The Camp Secretary shall perform all duties pertaining to his office, keep all books of record, shall make duplicate annual reports to the Department Secretary on or before the 30th day of April upon the forms prescribed by the Order, and furnished by the Department Secretary, showing all gains or losses in membership and the total membership, one copy of which shall be forwarded together with the per capita dues, covering the entire membership, due from the Camp, to the Department Headquarters, the other copy to be placed on file in the Camp. He shall draw all requisitions upon the Treasurer for the expenditure of money, upon the order of the Camp, and submit the same to the Commander for his approval, keeping a book for that purpose.
- (b) The Secretary shall forward to the Department Secretary the Installing Officer's Report (Form 22) on or before February 15th of each calendar year. In the case of a camp-at-large, the Secretary shall forward the Installing Officer's Report (Form 22) to the Assistant National Secretary appointed to serve as the Secretary-Treasurer of the Department-at-Large on or before February 15th of each calendar year.
- (c) The activities of the Camp Secretary should include:
 - (1) Taking minutes of each Camp meeting.
 - (2) Maintaining a book or file of minutes of past meetings.
 - (3) Reading the minutes of the preceding Camp meeting.
 - (4) Processing and responding to Camp correspondence.
 - (5) Notifying Brothers of meeting dates and location.
 - (6) Preparing Form 22, "Report of Camp Installing Officer", in duplicate and sending both copies to the Department Secretary.
 - (7) Reviewing for accuracy the annual "Life Member Reimbursement Form" (Form 10) that can be prepared by a Camp's Commander, Treasurer or Secretary.
 - (8) In conjunction with the Camp Treasurer, prepare and submit a "Camp Annual Report" (Form 27) in duplicate to the Department Secretary on or before April 30 of each year, with check for per capita and application fees, plus two copies of the membership application for each new Brother.
 - (9) Preparing and submitting a "Camp Status Report" (Form 30) in duplicate to the Department Secretary by the 15th day of the next month following any change in a Camp's

membership after the annual report is filed. A check for per capita and application fees, plus two copies of a new Brother's membership application must be enclosed.

(10) Maintaining Camp membership applications and supporting documentation.

(11) Preparing credentials for those serving as Camp delegates and alternates to Department Encampments.

(12) Maintaining the Camp seal and affixing it to Camp documents as needed.

Camp Treasurer - The purpose of the office of Treasurer is to serve as custodian of Camp or Department monies and property, to keep accurate financial records and to prepare periodic financial reports. The Treasurer shall hold funds of the Camp and have charge of its property not otherwise provided for. He shall pay out the said funds upon requisition in due form from the Secretary, approved by the Commander; shall keep the accounts between the Camp and its Brothers; shall collect all monies due the Camp, giving in all cases receipts therefore; shall notify all Brothers in arrears; and at the next stated meeting after the close of each month, render to the Camp a detailed account of the transactions of the month, and the money balance in his hands. He shall make an annual report to the Department Secretary, and shall perform all such other duties as pertain to his Office. The activities of the Camp Treasurer should include:

(a) Keeping the financial records of the Camp.

(b) Preparing a financial report to be presented at each Camp meeting.

(c) Preparing and sending dues notices to Brothers at least one month before the end of the Camp's fiscal year.

(d) Issuing membership cards to Brothers upon receipt of annual dues.

(e) Serving as custodian of Camp property not otherwise provided for.

(f) Maintaining a bank account in the Camp's name for Camp funds.

(g) Preparing a report on the financial condition of the Camp for review and approval by the Camp Council.

(h) In conjunction with the Camp Secretary, prepare a "Camp Annual Report" (Form 27) with check for per capita and application fees, to be submitted to the Department Secretary on or before April 30 of each year.

(i) Preparing and submitting a "Life Member Reimbursement Form" (for those Brothers who qualify) before March 31 of each year. Notifying a Brother who is in arrears for dues or fines, no later than March 31 of each year.

(j) Preparing and transmitting any and all financial reports as may be required by applicable state law.

Section 7: Appointed Officers Job Descriptions & Duties

Camp Patriotic Instructor- The purpose of the office of Patriotic Instructor is to educate and provide Brothers and the general public with information that will help to foster patriotism among the membership and the populace in general. Camp Patriotic Instructor shall perform such duties as are prescribed by the Ritual of the Order or indicated by the official blank forms, or directed by the Commander. The activities of the Camp Patriotic Instructor should include:

(a) Presenting at each Camp meeting information on such items as –

(1) Civil War military, civilian and other great American leaders,

(2) National and state holidays,

(3) The United States Flag,

(4) Duties of citizenship such as voting,

- (5) Great Civil War battles and battles of other wars, and
- (6) Great American artifacts and sites;
- (b) Providing public displays and orations on patriotism as called upon;
- (c) Providing awards of recognition to deserving individuals as deemed necessary or ordered by the Camp.
- (d) Any member of a Camp may nominate for a Flag Certificate Award, a person, company or agency that proudly, conspicuously and properly flies or display the United States Flag. The Flag must be properly displayed as outlined in Public Laws 94-344, known as the Federal Flag Code, which contains rules for the handling and displaying of the United States Flag. The Flag Certificate Award should not be given to any commercial enterprise that obviously flies it for advertising purposes. Public Law 94- 344 as amended appears on the SUVCW website.

Camp Chaplain- The purpose of the office of Chaplain is to conduct such devotional services as directed by the Camp or Department. The Chaplain shall perform such duties as are prescribed by the Ritual of the Order or indicated by the official blank forms, or directed by the Commander. The activities of the Camp Chaplain should include:

- (a) Conducting prayer at all meetings.
- (b) Conducting grave site services for Brothers and important dignitaries.
- (c) Conducting memorials for grave dedication or rededication ceremonies of veterans - especially Union veterans.
- (d) Serving as custodian of the Camp Bible unless assigned to another Camp officer.
- (e) Preparing an annual necrology of Camp Brothers and submitting the list to Department Chaplain.
- (f) Serving as coordinator for the Camp's Memorial Day ceremony.
- (g) Becoming familiar with the duties of the office as set forth in the Order's Rituals and Ceremonials.

Camp Counselor- The purpose of the office of Counselor is to serve as a legal advisor to the Commander and to the Camp. The activities of the Camp Counselor should include:

- (a) Advising the Commander and the Camp on such legal issues as may come before them.
- (b) Upon request of the Commander, providing advice and interpretation of the Camp's and Department's Bylaws, the Order's Constitution and Regulations, and on parliamentary questions.

Camp Historian- The purpose of the office of Historian is to collect and preserve all historical and biographical material pertaining to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) and its membership. The activities of the Camp Historian should include:

- (a) Maintaining and cataloging all historical, biographical and/or photographic material given to or developed by the Camp regarding the Civil War, and Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW).
- (b) Such material would include but not be limited to the following: newspaper articles, Camp membership records, Camp meeting minutes, old Camp financial records which should be maintained, or discarded, in accordance with the approved records retention schedule, photographs, and donated memorabilia (including Civil War and Grand Army of the

Republic artifacts).. Camps, working with the Department Historian, should also identify proper archival storage of Camp records.

Camp Graves Registration Officer- The purpose of the Graves Registration Officer is to locate, record, ascertain the condition of and bring to the attention of proper authorities the need for repair or replacement of the grave markers/memorials of Civil War veterans buried in the jurisdiction of the Camp or Department. The activities of the Camp Graves Registration Officer should include:

- (a) Conducting an inventory of the cemeteries located within the confines the Camp's geographical boundaries and documenting the presence of Civil War veteran grave markers and memorials.
- (b) Bringing to the attention of appropriate governmental agencies the existence of grave markers/memorials in need of rehabilitation or replacement.
- (c) Assisting private parties and governmental agencies in the completion of applications for new federal grave markers for Civil War veterans.
- (d) Providing documentation of location and condition of Civil War veteran grave markers/memorials to the Department Graves Registration Officer.

Camp Civil War Memorials Officer- The purpose of the Camp Civil War Memorials Officer is to coordinate the locating, physical examination of, and recording of all memorials dedicated to Union Civil War soldiers and sailors (outside the care of the National Military Parks, and the U.S. Departments of Defense, or Veterans' Affairs) within their respective geographic boundaries. This includes all sizes of monuments (with or without sculpture), those with Civil War era cannon and inert ammunition, memorial fountains, memorial buildings, memorial windows (stained glass), historical markers, and even small plaques. Reports on the various memorials and monuments located within the Camp area shall be made from time to time to the Department Memorials officer upon appropriate form. To prevent a duplication of effort on the part of a Camp's membership, the Camp Civil War Memorials Officer should:

- (a) Coordinate the search for, physical examination of, photographing of, and recording of Civil War Memorials (as described above) located within the confines of the Camp's geographical boundaries.
- (b) Maintain observation of care and upkeep for "local" Civil War Memorials - and bring any shortcomings to the attention of the property owners and community government where the memorial is located.
- (c) Provide documentation of location and condition of Civil War Memorials (via SUVCW Form CWM 61) to the Department Civil War Memorials Officer.

Camp Guide- The purpose of the Camp Guide is to assist the Commander in the floor work of the Ritual during the Camp or Department meeting and to follow any orders given by the Commander. Camp Guide shall perform such duties as are prescribed by the Ritual of the Order or indicated by the official blank forms, or directed by the Commander. The activities of the Camp Guide should include:

- (a) Ensuring that the Camp room is proper order and that the altar and stations are properly arranged.
- (b) Instructing candidates for membership per the instructions of the Order's Ritual and Ceremonials.

- (c) Acting as an escort for all visitors.
- (d) Ascertaining if everyone present is entitled to remain for the Camp meeting.
- (e) Becoming familiar with the duties of the office as set forth in the Order's Ritual and Ceremonials.

Camp Color Bearer- The purpose of the office of Color Bearer is to care for the Camp Colors and to assist the Camp Guide during the Camp/Department meeting. Camp Color Bearer shall perform such duties as are prescribed by the Ritual of the Order or indicated by the official blank forms, or directed by the Commander. The activities of the Camp Color Bearer should include:

- (a) Placing the altar cloth and an unopened Bible on the altar prior to the opening of the Camp.
- (b) Placing station banners at the stations prior to the opening of the Camp.
- (c) Assisting the Guide in ascertaining if everyone present is entitled to remain for the Camp meeting.
- (d) Presenting the United States Flag during the Pledge of Allegiance by the Camp.
- (e) Attending to the altar and stations by removing altar cloth, Bible and station banners following the close of the Camp.
- (f) Becoming familiar with the duties of the office as set forth in the Order's Ritual and Ceremonials.

Camp Guard- The purpose of the office of Guard is to secure the door to the Camp or Department meeting and to admit only those Brothers and visitors who are qualified or entitled to enter. Camp Guard shall perform such duties as are prescribed by the Ritual of the Order or indicated by the official blank forms, or directed by the Commander. The activities of the Camp Guard should include:

- (1) Securing the door of the Camp meeting.
- (2) Checking dues receipts or cards of Brothers and admitting only qualified Brothers and authorized visitors.
- (3) Allowing no one to enter during the opening or closing of the Camp.
- (4) Allowing no one to enter during the initiation of candidates.
- (5) Becoming familiar with the duties of the office as set forth in the Order's Ritual and Ceremonials.

Article VIII CAMP DUES AND FEES

Section 1: Membership shall be consistent with the Constitution and Regulations of the National Organization and the Bylaws of the Department of California and Pacific.

Section 2: DUES INCREASES. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Article, the Camp may, by a majority of those present and entitled to vote, increase or decrease the annual dues assessment. No increase in Camp Dues shall be effective until the first of the year following the Camp Meeting at which increase was approved. Upon any change in annual dues, the Camp Commander shall issue Camp Orders, to be disseminated to all Brothers notifying them of such change.

Section 3: CAMP FEES. Unless otherwise changed, Camp dues for Members and Associate Members shall be \$5.00 per annum, with a onetime Membership Application fee of \$10.00.

Section 4: Life members are exempt from Camp dues however they may voluntarily pay per annum dues to help Camp finances.

Article IX SEPARATION, DISSOLUTION AND DISPOSITION OF ASSETS

Section 1: SURRENDER OF DEPARTMENT CHARTER. In the case of surrender or forfeiture of the Camp Charter, all Camp property and assets shall be turned over to the National Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, or his duly authorized representative, to collect and hold all such property in trust for the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, an organization exempt from taxes under section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Section 2: Camp PROPERTY; CHARITABLE TRUST. All property of the Camp shall be held for the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, as a charitable trust that is held and used for the purpose for which the Order exists. Any such transfer or disposal within six months of disbandment or surrender of the Camp Charter without the written consent of the National Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is prohibited. The property and funds of the Camp shall not be divided among its members.

Section 3: PROPERTY AND FUNDS; ALLIED ORDERS. In the event the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, no longer exists, said property and funds shall revert to the benefit of the first and any remaining organization of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic or in their absence, to the California State Archives.

Section 4: DISSOLUTION OF ORGANIZATION. Notwithstanding the above language, upon the dissolution of this organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government for a public purpose.

Article X AMENDMENTS AND SEVERABILITY

Section 1: AMENDMENTS; PROCESS. (a) These Bylaws may be amended at any Camp Meeting by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those Brothers present and entitled to vote, provided however, that a copy of the proposed amendment(s) or new Bylaws have been submitted in writing to each elected officer of the Camp, the Camp Counselor, and copies provided to the membership at least thirty (30) days prior to a Camp Meeting at which they are to be considered.

(b) Proposed amendments may be submitted by any Brother of the Camp. Upon receipt of such proposal(s), the Camp Commander shall immediately refer the proposal(s) to the Camp Committee on Bylaws for appropriate findings, actions, and recommendations.

(c) When multiple proposals are being considered by the Camp, the Committee on Bylaws shall determine the order of consideration. When two or more conflicting proposals are presented, if one is adopted, the others shall not be considered.

Section 2. EFFECTIVE WRITTEN APPROVAL REQUIRED. Before becoming effective, any amendments to these Bylaws shall require written approval of the Commander of the Department of California and Pacific.

Section 3. SEVERABILITY. In the event that any Article (or provisions thereof) in these Bylaws shall be found or held as invalid by any act of law, by any court of competent jurisdiction, by a conflict in the Department Bylaws, the SUVCW Constitution and Regulations, or National Policies, or for any other legitimate reason, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of these Bylaws, and to this end the provisions of these Bylaws are severable, all other provisions remaining in full force and effect.

Article XI FINANCE

Section 1: The Camp shall establish a checking account at a convenient bank or financial institution in which to maintain its monetary assets. The Treasurer is authorized to maintain on hand a petty cash account of up to \$35.00 for purchase of necessary supplies and postage for mailings.

Section 2: The Camp Commander, Senior Vice Commander, and Treasurer shall be designated as “signers” for the Camp’s account, the signature of two of which is required on checks drawn or withdrawals from the Camp’s account for approved expenditures.

Section 3: The Treasurer shall make a financial report at each formal camp meeting for all camp accounts to include receipts, deposits, debits or amounts paid out, and balance on hand. A written financial report shall be included in the minutes of each formal camp meeting.

ARTICLE XII INCLUSION OF DEPARTMENT AND NATIONAL RULES AND REGULATION

Section 1: INCLUSION OF RULES AND REGULATIONS. Included herein by reference and made a part of these Bylaws are the following Rules and Regulations, and any subsequent amendments or modifications thereto: The Constitution, Regulations, and National Policies of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and Bylaws of the Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

**BYLAWS
(AND AMENDMENTS THERETO)
CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing Bylaws having been adopted in the City of Santa Barbara, County of Santa Barbara, State of California by the William T. Sherman Camp No. 28, Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, two-thirds of the Brothers concurring, on this 16th day of March, in the year of our Lord two thousand nineteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-third.

**/s/ Patrick J. Lennon, Jr. (PCC), Commander
William T. Sherman Camp No. 28
Department of California and Pacific
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**

**ATTEST: /s/ Everett R. Lee, Secretary
William T. Sherman Camp No. 28
Department of California and Pacific
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**

The foregoing Bylaws, as amended, of the William T. Sherman Camp No. 28, Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War are found to be in accordance with the Constitution and Regulations of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Department Bylaws of the Department of California and Pacific, and are hereby approved by me on this 17th day of March, in the year of our Lord two thousand nineteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-third.

**By: /s/Dean A. Enderlin (PDC), Commander
Department of California and Pacific
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**

**ATTEST: /s/ Owen R. Stiles (PCC), Secretary-Treasurer
Department of California and Pacific
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**

