

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

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Subject: Proposed Bylaw Change

In accordance with National Bylaws and Administrative Procedures, Article Eight, Section 800, the following is submitted for consideration by the body assembled at the National Convention.

**CURRENT BYLAW**

**CEREMONIAL UNIFORMS**

**NOTE:** There is not a unique Ceremonial Uniform following action at the 2009 National Convention. Whenever Ceremonial Functions are preformed, the Uniform will be **UNDRESS UNIFORM** ( either Short Sleeve or Long Sleeve ) or the **CASUAL UNIFORM** as determined by the jurisdictional Commandant, and the weather conditions.

**UNDRESS UNIFORM – SHORT SLEEVE**

The Short sleeve **UNDRESS** uniform is the same in every way to the Long sleeve **UNDRESS** uniform with the following exceptions:

- . The shirt shall be the same Airline Pilot style, but short sleeves instead of long sleeve.
- . The shirt shall be worn with an open collar and **NO TIE OR TIE BAR IS WORN WITH THE UNDRRESS SHORT SLEEVE SHIRT.**

## PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENT

### UNDRESS UNIFORM – SHORT SLEEVE

The Short sleeve UNDRRESS uniform is the same in every way to the Long sleeve UNDRRESS uniform with the following exceptions:

- . The shirt shall be the same Airline Pilot style, but short sleeve instead of Long sleeve.
- . The shirt shall be worn with an open collar and a **RED T-SHIRT** as an undergarment only to be worn by Honor Guard members and **ONLY WHEN PREFORMING CEREMONIAL OR HONOR GUARD FUNCTIONS.**

#### RATIONALE:

The RED T-SHIRT would signify belonging to a special group in the Marine Corps League much in the same way the RED STRIPE on the Marine Corps' blue trousers signify belonging to a special group in the Marine Corps; NCOs. The MCL Honor Guards' perform flag presentations... rifle salutes... parades... funerals ...and other ceremonial functions and deserve to be recognized for all that they do promoting the MCL. And what better way to be recognized from the normal UNDRRESS uniform then to wear a RED T-SHIRT as shown in attached photo. AND ONLY WHEN PREFORMING CEREMONIAL OR HONOR GUARD FUNCTIONS. As the RED STRIPE represents the blood shed by NCOs; the RED T-SHIRT would represent blood shed by 'all' Marines. Traditions have to start somewhere and what better place then with the HONOR GUARDS' OF THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE.

Respectfully

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