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From: Jim Ransom, National Conference/Convention Committee Chair
To: Johnny Baker, National Commandant/CEO
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Convention Report

Sir Commandant Baker,

Looking back the past two years and the pandemic there has been many challenges for the Marine Corps League and our Conventions. I want to thank the Springfield Convention Team for all the hard work they had done in preparing for a off and on convention last year. The time constraints they had trying to prepare with very little time was an accomplishment to be recognized.

Daytona Convention is upon us and that also had many difficulties from being cancelled and then renegotiating a new contract. The Florida team has done a superb job in keeping the National Committee and National on their progress throughout the year.

The Oklahoma team has been planning the 2023 Convention which will be the 100th anniversary of the MCL. I look forward to working with their team and firmly believe this will be one to remember. As the Daytona Convention ends the beginning of the 2023 will start and will keep National abreast as to the progress and any matters that may come up.

We are now preparing for the 2024 which, dependent the members at Convention, may be at the Hyatt Regency at Denver, Colorado. Their team is in place, and they are making progress to make this a memorable convention for the MCL. After making a site visit, I know our members would have a great time.

I have had conversations from the Department of Texas for the 2025 Convention which will be the 250th year of the Marine Corps. Again, it's rewarding to see our members stepping up and taking on this task of hosting a convention.

Conventions require a tremendous amount of work, and our Marines are taking on this challenge and the outcomes have been heroic for a better word. We must keep in mind hosting a convention comes with many changes in venues, decisions, and problems.

I want to thank the Convention committee for their time to travel, advice, caring and the input they have given to me and the hosting teams. It's certainly been gratifying to me that they have and are a part of the Convention Committee.

As the gavel is struck on Monday in Daytona, we must all take the time and thank those that have worked so diligently to make this Convention a memorable time for all.

Respectively submitted,
Jim Ransom
Chairman
National Convention/Conferences