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To: Commandant TJ Morgan

SUBJECT: SOUTHEAST DIVISION MID-WINTER REPORT

**Sir Commandant,**

Although my term as National Vice-Commandant began in August, I was thoroughly prepared for this responsibility by Past National Vice-Commandant Jerry Holt. His guidance has positioned me well to lead the Southeast Division and to encourage our Department Commandants to lead by example. I am honored and enthusiastic to take on this challenge.

The Southeast Division continues to have an outstanding year. While we face many of the same challenges affecting divisions across the League, our focus remains on identifying, mentoring, and developing new leaders who will meet those challenges head-on and elevate the League to its highest potential.

**Membership**

Overall membership in the Southeast Division increased by 5.91 percent over 2024. Louisiana led the division with an impressive 18.88 percent increase, with the majority of new members being under the age of fifty-five. This reflects a positive trend toward attracting a younger generation of Marine veterans.

Tennessee continues to show steady, long-term growth, recording an 11.40 percent increase over the past seven years.

Additionally, the Department of Georgia successfully chartered a new Member-at-Large (MAL) Detachment. Our goal is to charter at least one MAL Detachment in every Department by 2026. Departments and Detachments are also being encouraged to recruit productive Associate Members, along with Marine veterans, to strengthen overall participation and support.

**Scholarships**

The Southeast Division led the League in scholarship applications, submitting a total of thirty applications. Louisiana again led the division with ten applications. Each Department made a conscientious effort to promote the scholarship program as a lasting Marine Corps League legacy that benefits our members and their families.

I have assured our new Scholarship Chairman, Joe Hughes, that the Southeast Division will continue its strong and enthusiastic support of the Marine Corps League Foundation.

**Compliance**

The Southeast Division continues to advance its compliance program. Our Division Compliance Officer, Bill Lamar, remains proactive in ensuring that Departments and

Detachments are informed of compliance requirements and potential issues before they become problems.

Each Department has appointed a Compliance Officer who works directly with Detachments to address and resolve compliance matters. While most issues have been resolved, a few remain under active review and are being addressed appropriately.

### **Chapter 9**

There have been **no Chapter 9 filings**, nor are there any anticipated at this time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Annie Dunsand". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'A' and a long, sweeping tail.