## HEADQUARTERS OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER Department Order No. 3 Series 2015-2016



## DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR



Honoring the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic & The Men from New York who saved the Union from 1861 to 1865.

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By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York, I hereby issue this order.

- 1. The first Decoration Day was inaugurated by General Logan through Order #11 issued on May 5, 1868. In that order he stated that May 30 would be the appointed day to honor our "comrades who died in defense of their country." That date became the traditional date for Decoration Day and, as we now know it, Memorial Day.
  - a. Camps and Brothers are therefore requested to take part in services on the traditional Memorial Day, Saturday May 30th, 2015.
  - b. Participation in events and remembrances on the designated Federal holiday (May 25, 2015) and during the entire period known as Memorial Day Weekend, May 23 through May 25, is also encouraged.
  - c. Therefore, as General Logan noted: "Let us, then, at the time appointed gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with the choicest flowers of spring-time; let us raise above them the dear old flag they saved from dishonor. . ."

This Order is so ordered on this 22nd day of May, 2015 in Fraternity Charity, & Loyalty,

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC
Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert Pugsley, PDC Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW