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TO: National Officers, National Executive Committeemen and Alternates,

Past National Commanders, Detachment Commanders / Adjutants, National Commissions / Committees and Department Adjutants

FROM: Donald L. "JR" Hall, Jr. (MD), National Commander

THRU: Anthony W. Wright (PA), National Adjutant

OFFICIAL 2024 NATIONAL CONVENTION CALL

According to Article V, Section 2 of the National Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion, I, Donald L. "JR" Hall, Jr., National Commander, do hereby call for the 52nd Annual National Convention of the Sons of The American Legion, to be held Friday through Sunday, August 23 - 25, 2024, at the New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, in New Orleans, Louisiana. The opening session of the 52nd Annual National Convention, per the Uniform Code of Procedure for National Convention, will be convened at 1:00 PM on Friday, August 23, 2024.

The 52nd Annual National Convention shall be convened for the following purposes:

- 1. To complete all business of the Sons of The American Legion for the Fiscal year 2023-2024
- 2. To vote on all resolutions (if applicable) which are correctly presented to the National Convention
- 3. To consider and/or make amendments (if applicable) to the By-Laws of the National Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion
- 4. To elect a National Commander and five (5) National Vice Commanders for 2024-2025. Elections shall take place on Sunday, August 25, 2024

National Executive Committee Meetings

The Pre-Convention National Executive Committee Meeting will be held Friday, August 23, at 10:00 AM and the Post-Convention National Executive Committee Meeting will be convened directly following the adjournment of the 52nd Annual National Convention on Sunday, August 25. See the national convention agenda flyer for more details.

REPRESENTATION: Representation of the National Convention shall be allotted following the provision of Section 4, Article V of the National Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion, which states:

"....each Detachment shall be entitled to three (3) delegates and one additional delegate for each 500 members or major fraction thereof whose current dues have been received by National Headquarters 30 "days prior to the meeting of said National Convention, and whose registration fees, as fixed by the National Executive Committee, for its total authorized delegate strength, have been paid, and to one alternate for each delegate. Approved by Resolution 18, National Executive Committee of The American Legion, October 2005."

"Each duly registered delegate shall be entitled to one vote. The vote of any registered delegate absent and not represented by an alternate delegate shall be cast by the majority of any registered delegates from his Detachment. Alternate delegates for registered delegates shall have all privileges of registered delegates except that of voting. A registered delegate is one who has received his credentials and has paid such registration fee as may be required."

Detachment Commanders and **Adjutants** shall certify their respective delegates and alternate delegates to the National Adjutant through the National Convention. If delegate and alternate delegate elections occur after the prescribed deadline, their certification is to be submitted immediately after their election.

NATIONAL CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS:

Following Section 3 of the Uniform Code of Procedure for the Organization of National Conventions, "Resolutions emanating from a Detachment convention shall be forwarded 30 days before the opening of the National Convention to the National SAL Liaison, Kevin Mook at Kmook@legion.org. The only exception to this rule is the case of a Detachment Convention held on a date that renders it physically impossible to comply with the restricted time limit. In such cases, resolutions should be forwarded immediately after the convention and the National Adjutant shall be notified."

This rule will be strictly enforced. If you have any questions, contact the National Adjutant, Anthony Wright, at Awright@legion.org.

OFFICIAL:

Donald L. "JR" Hall, J

National Commander

Anthony W. Wright National Adjutant

Attachment(s):

SAL 52nd National Convention Agenda Flyer

SAL National Convention - Credentials Payment / Pick-up Request Form

SAL National Convention - Delegate Form

SAL National Convention - Alternate Delegate Form

SAL National Convention - Guest Form

^{**} National Convention forms can be found online at legion.org/sons/events