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I, George S. Covel, hereby state my intention to run for the office of Director (4 yrs) of the Korean War Veterans Association. I am a Life Member of the association with dues paid through the upcoming term of office and beyond, and promise to attend all called meetings of the Board of Directors during my term of office. I understand that two (2) unexcused absences from such meetings may be cause for my removal from office.

I am currently a Director/Trustee of the Department of New York, Korean War Veterans Association, a Life Member of the Northeast Chapter 59, KWVA and an active member of the Adirondack Chapter 60, KWVA. During the Korean War, I served from 1952 through 1954, 1953-54 as a Sergeant (E-5), Tuba Section Leader, 8th US Army Band, which was the ceremonial band for the United Nations Command Honor Guard. Following my discharge, I served in the NY National Guard as a Court Reporter in the JAG section, 42nd Inf. Div., where I rose to the rank of MSGT (E-7) until 1960, when I received a COG Honorable Discharge which was necessitated by my employment at the United Nations, where I worked as an English language verbatim reporter of debates.

I submit I am uniquely qualified by my education and prior employment to serve the association as a member of the Board of Directors. I attended Hofstra College, Juilliard School of Music and have attended Skidmore College as an audit student. I worked for 45 years as a court reporter, working in the NYS Supreme Court, NYS Court of Claims, the United Nations, and, as a free-lance reporter, in New York, New Jersey and Washington, DC, where I worked at the White House. For 25 years, I was the official reporter for the Grand Lodge conventions of the BPO Elks. My association experience includes being a Past Exalted Ruler of an Elks Lodge, a Vice-President of a labor union local and a board member of two other labor union locals, and a Past President of my professional organization with ten years as its Legislative Committee Chairman.

I am married to the former Joan Borowiec for the past 59 years. We have five children, nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Joan has been very supportive of me in all my activities.

All information contained in this letter and the copy of the Membership Application Form is hereby released to the Elections Committee for verification.

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