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Dear Mr. Whitmore and members of
the KWVA Election Committee:

I deem it both a privilege and a pleasure to submit my name as a candidate for the office of President of KWVA for a two-year term commencing on June 25, 2018.

My military service began in 1948 when, given a guarantee of a tech school of my choice, I enlisted in the Air Force. Following basic training at Lackland AFB, I completed Radar Repairman School at Keesler AFB, in Biloxi, MS. My first duty assignment was with the 606th Aircraft & Warning Sqdn., then based at Shaw AFB, SC. Within days after the outbreak of the Korean War, we received orders to ship to Korea. We arrived in Korea in September, 1950. Duty stations included Pusan, Ulsan, Pyongtaek and Kimpo. After 17 months, I was finally rotated stateside. I attained the rank of Staff Sergeant while in Korea. My discharge in August, 1952, enabled me to matriculate in college that fall.

My career in education began as a high school history teacher. After seven years, I moved into school administration. I served in all capacities at both the school building level as well as in central office positions including that of County Superintendent of Schools. While working for my doctors degree, I spent two years as Administrative Assistant to the Dean of the College of Education at Temple University. In the course of my career, I appeared and testified before government bodies and legislatures at the local, state and federal levels. I retired in 1994 after 38 years in public school administration.

In 2015, I was one of the founders and prime movers in establishing the Gen. John H. Michaelis chapter #327 of the KWVA. Since our charter presentation on April 1, 2015, we have grown to 111 members ranking us as one of the largest groups in the KWVA. I am proud to be serving as this unit's first president.

In 2016, I was elected to the Board of Directors of KWVA. In this capacity, President Stevens charged me with the task of chairing the committee to plan KWVA's participation as co-host of Veterans Day observance at Arlington Cemetery on Nov. 11, 2107. This was a most gratifying experience. For 18 months, not only was I able to work with a super dedicated group of guys but, it also enabled me to meet and interact with other members of the VA and the Veteran Service Organization Committee. By all accounts, our performance in this year's event has been deemed most successful.

As a life member of KWVA my dues are current. If elected to the presidency, I pledge that I will attend all called meetings of the Board and fully understand that two missed meetings could be grounds for removal from office. I hereby grant to the Elections Committee permission to release the Application Form for verification purposes. Copies of the completed KWVA membership application form and separation paper Form DD214 are enclosed herewith.

Respectfully yours,

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