

December 9, 2020

ALVES J. KEY, JR.

I submit this letter announcing my candidacy for the office of Director of the Korean War Veterans Association Inc., Director to serve from June 25, 2021 to June 24, 2024.

I entered active service on August 1, 1965 with training at Lackland, AFB Texas and Lowry, AFB Colorado. My qualifying Defense Veteran military service was with the USAF 6314<sup>th</sup> MMS Detachment 1, 6175<sup>th</sup> AB Group at Kunsan AB Korea, from April 1968 to April 1970. My primary duty was maintaining and transporting weapons to alert aircraft. I also served two tours at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Air Defense Missile Squadron at Langley AFB Virginia (04/1966 to 04/1968) and (04/1970 to 09/1972). After leaving active duty as a SSGT, I served in the United States Air Force Reserve from (02/1973 - 08/1986) at the 301st Tactical Fighter Wing Carswell AFB TX serving as the Wing Safety Office Explosive Safety NCO and later in the 301<sup>st</sup> CAMS Munitions Section. I retired in August 1986 as a MSGT with seven active and thirteen years of reserve service.

I am a retired Law Enforcement chief officer with service at the agencies noted below:

- Tarrant County Sheriff's Office-Fort Worth, TX (12/2003 to 11/2008) Chief Deputy-Personnel/Training
- City of Longview Police PD- Longview, TX (09/1999 to 11/2003) Police Chief
- City of Arlington PD- Arlington, TX (10/ 1977 to 08/1999) Deputy Police Chief (Highest position held)

Education:

Dallas Baptist University, Dallas, TX

Master of Arts in Professional Development-Criminal Justice Emphasis (12/2008)

Bachelor of Career Arts - Applied Business Administration (05/1988)

I have served as a Director of General Walton H. Walker KWVA Chapter 215 located in DFW Texas, and currently serve as chapter immediate past president. I have also coordinated delivery of Tell America materials for KWVA national for approximately three years My military and professional experience as a law enforcement chief officer and educator required the ability to communicate and collaborate with others to achieve organizational goals. I aspire to be an effective servant leader of the KWVA to achieve the KWVA mission of ensuring a "living legacy" for those who served in the Korean War and won the victory, and those who served after the armistice to maintain that victory.

I believe that the Board of Directors should be accountable to the membership by ensuring that activities and actions focus on the vision and mission objectives of the KWVA. The Board has a fiduciary duty to members, governing authorities, and donors to account for and properly use donated resources.

Meeting the KWVA mission in the coming decades requires the following:

1. Soliciting feedback from members using surveys in Graybeards, posted on the website, and/or email to Chapter commanders
2. Recruiting engaged Defense Era veterans to grow and maintain mission capacity
3. Maintaining positive and collaborative relationships with Congressional and Federal entities
4. Building and maintaining contacts with Korean Embassy, community, and business leadership
5. Ensuring completion of the Wall of Remembrance and inclusion of Defense Era KIA
6. Supporting the education efforts of the Korean War Legacy Foundation

As testament of my commitment to serve, I will attend all called meetings of the Board of Directors and understand that two (2) unexcused absences are reason for removal from office. I also authorize the Election Committee to use the application form for establishing eligibility for the office. I also certify that my dues as a Life Regular Member will be current through my term of office if elected.



With best regards,

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