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RE: 4th OF JULY/250th BIRTHDAY OF USA

Brothers, the 250th birthday of our great nation is coming up quickly. I am guessing that most of you are excited for this exciting day, and also hoping that you all are doing special ceremonies or activities to commemorate this day.

If you are looking to commemorate the day and do not have any plans, I would like to invite any and all to participate in the 4th of July Parade held in Eaton Rapids. This is an awesome parade that I and many other Brothers have participated in over the years. The parade starts at 11:00am and goes right through downtown. The streets are always lined with all the town people clapping and cheering as you march by. Come and join us, we can meet at the GAR Hall and Museum at 10:00 and head down to the beginning of the route. We would be at the head of the parade carrying the colors. We will have cold water on hand to fill your canteens. Come and join us as we celebrate 250 years as a free Constitutional Republic!

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,
David W. Kimble, DC

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Commander, Department of Michigan
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ATTEST:

/s/
Richard Denney, PCC
Secretary, Department of Michigan
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