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CALL TO CONVENTION

Subj: 2024 CPOA / CGEA National Convention

1. As required by our Association's By Laws, this letter serves as official notification that our Association's Annual National Convention will be held underway on board Royal Caribbean's, Ovation of the Seas, from 23-30 August 2024 departing the Port of Seattle, Washington.

2. All members in good standing have the right to speak on the Convention floor and vote on issues brought before the Assembly. The USCG CPOA Operations Manual states that a quorum at an Annual Convention consists of a majority of those members in good standing in attendance.

3. Motions to Amend the CPOA Operations Manual must be received at the National Office by not later than 28 April 2024. Motions to Amend may be transmitted via fax to (703) 941-0397 or e-mailed to <u>ExecutiveDirector@uscgcpoa.org</u>. Motions to Amend received after that date will not be considered at the 2023 Convention.

4. Members wishing to dedicate this Convention to an individual, group, etc., shall petition the National President for approval. Once approved, the National Office will be directed to notify everyone concerned and prepare presentation certificates.

5. The tentative schedule for this year's Convention will be made available by 15 May 2024 on the CPOA website at <u>www.uscgcpoa.org</u>, and will be published in the July 2024 edition of "The Chief".

6. Robert's Rules of Order, 12th edition, by Henry M. Robert, shall be the Parliamentary authority.

7. This notification will appear in the April 2024 edition of the "The Chief". Motions to Amend the CPOA Operations Manual and the proposed 2024 Association Budget will appear in the July 2024 edition of "The Chief".

Yours in Service,

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