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Fellow Sons,

I want to echo the words shared by Commander Vaughan, words that embody the spirit of teamwork, purpose, and forward momentum. Like him, I stand before you today humbled because of your overwhelming vote of confidence. I see that trust not as a title, but as a call to action.

This journey isn't about positions; it's about purpose. As I said throughout my campaign: It's not about the role, It's about the goal. And that goal remains crystal clear, to honor the legacy we represent, to lead with integrity, and to uplift every member of our organization and communities.

I'm committed to amplifying your voices, showcasing your talents, and ensuring every contribution big or small is acknowledged and valued. As Commander Vaughan stated, many hands make the mission possible. I invite each of you to be part of this effort. You're not just members; you are the heartbeat of this organization.

Let's move forward not as individuals chasing titles, positions, or accolade's but as one unified team, united by purpose. Let's build something truly meaningful together.

If you'd like to join this mission, you can reach me at **salcommander@azlegion.org**, or through my adjutant, Dennis Pittman, at **saladjutant@azlegion.org**.

I can't wait to see what we'll achieve together this year. It's an honor to help lead this great organization.

For God and Country, Gary Manwell Commander AZSAL