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Subj: National Convention Committee Report

This year has been very busy for the committee with preparation for Ranch Mirage (2024), Dallas (2025), Indianapolis (2026) and North Carolina (2027).

Rancho Mirage will be a nice venue with the California team ready to welcome our members. The Westin has made many upgrades to the hotel since our site visit. The hotel has many amenities, all should enjoy, and have many things to do.

The Dallas team has been busy, and they have many events planned. It was nice to hear that the MODD will be presenting the Children's Hospital check at the Texas Rangers ball game on Tuesday evening of the Convention. Being it's the 250th anniversary of the Marine Corps this definitely will be exciting for all.

The committee has made a site visit at Indianapolis and there are two hotels making presentations at Ranch Mirage. The two hotels meet our RFP.

North Carolina is in the beginning stages and still looking for a location and hotel.

I want to thank the committee for all their input at site visits and especially our National Executive Director Bob Borka.

As we look forward to the next five years it may be challenging regarding cost for F&B, rooms and finding hotels that can meet our RFP. I feel that we must keep mindful of this and be looking at making some changes if needed to the length of a convention or other modifications.

Respectfully submitted,

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