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Enclosed is the resume of Thomas S. Edwards for the application for the Board of Director of the Korean War Veterans Association. My Life Membership Number in 33145 and I understand the dues are current and paid through the 2007-2010 term, since I understand the dues are paid for a lifetime. I intend to attend all called meetings and understand that two (2) unexcused absences could be reason for removal from the office.

I was involved in the Medical Care of the Army personnel for almost the entire 37 months of the Korean War. I served at Brook Army Medical Center from June, 1950, through December, 1951. We had many casualties air evacuated in 3 or 4 days after injury. Communication about an injury, as well as therapy, is an important part of the case. That may help in preliminary therapy for Post Traumatic Syndrome. After a 5-month course in Medical Administration at Walter Reed in early 1952, I went to Korea. In the summer of 1952, I joined KMAG as the Medical Advisor to the Corps Surgeon of the Second ROK Corps. This involved the tactics and medical support for three Korean Division and the support units. There were two U.S. Army Medical Officers serving with the Korean Combat Troops, each with one of the ROK Corps on line. We worked to keep al the personnel working together. Korean, American and other support —Aussie, Ethiopian or Turkish were involved.

I rotated to Tokyo Army Hospital in June, 1953, for the last wave of casualties and then in July and August we had the POW Release. For the next year I was at Camp Rucker as Regimental Surgeon of the 145<sup>th</sup> Regiment and as a Temporary Division Surgeon for the 45<sup>th</sup> Division. I was discharged from Regular Army August 30, 1954.

Since 1954 I've served as Chief of Surgery of an Army Reserve Hospital in New York and then returned to Florida. In Jacksonville I was placed in Command of a Reserve CSH. We moved the hospital up from marginal to Top A-1 rated. After commanding it for (7) seven years, I was placed in command of most of the Medical Reserve in the South and was one of the Advisors to the U.S. Army Surgeon General. With 30 years service I retired in August 1981. I also belong to DAV, VFW, American Legion, ROA and other veteran organizations.

In addition, since I returned to Jacksonville in 1957 I have also been active in Medical Practice and many organizations, such

Florida Medical and American Medical Associates – Delegate and Member and Chairman several committees.

- ► Florida Medical Political Action Committee & AMPAC Board of Governor over 20 years, one of three initial incorporators, Officer of corporation for many years, including President; contact physician for U.S. Senator & U.S. Representative.
- Voluntary Health Agencies Prevention of Blindness and Arthritic Foundation: Local and State Officer and National Board.
- Civic Rotary: 48 years Charter President, Mandarin, FL; Lions Honorary Lion & Consultant.
- South Jacksonville Presbyterian Church Member for many years, Usher, Deacon, Board of Trustees President.

There are other organizations, but with this experience I will do my best to help the KWVA Board of Directors work together for the good of the whole organization. Further the political contacts should be helpful if, and when, we decide to work for a Federal Charter.

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Yours very truly,

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