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Greetings: Colleagues & Friends of Semper Fi #3 Memorial Honor Detail Inc.

Very briefly, I want to share with you a quick look back at our 2021 progress and the Outlook for 2022.

The circumstances of 2020 and 2021 are obvious. Despite the adversity, I am pleased to report that our mission prevails. Our recruiting is ongoing, and in a few months till now we have recruited six new members. Our Marine family is responding to the opportunity to join and train in our ranks. Thank you.

Furthermore, our stakeholders are calling on us to serve our deceased Vets and their families, as well as to present the Colors at special events. And while the availability of our personnel on short notice precluded us from serving five funerals during this year, the important news is that Semper Fi #3 has conducted about fourteen Military Honor Details Year-to-Date through the end of October.

Just ahead in November, we will take part in community events including,

- November 11 City of Houston Veterans Day parade
- November 11 Present the Colors American Legion Post 560, Marine Corps Birthday Celebration
- November 13 Rifle Salute and Taps for the Texas Illumination; (The Inaugural celebration to honor all Texas Veterans.)
- November 13 USMC Birthday Ball and staff a Recruiting booth there; Sgt. J. Kalke, Sgt. F. Martinez and M/Sgt. J. Salinas.
- December 18 Wreaths Across America Rifle Salute

And in the fourth quarter, we will stand by, as called upon to conduct Military Honor Details at every funeral we can possibly schedule.

I hope that you will consider joining us for upcoming, (TBD), Military Honor Details and these other opportunities listed above.

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One more noteworthy milestone for your attention regarding 2021 is that, for the first time since the founding of Semper Fi #3, our leadership has become a full-time resource. This milestone will be a pivot point to enable Semper Fi #3 to elevate to the next level.

In keeping with our Core Values of Honor, Courage and Commitment; speaking of the next level, let's focus on the future. We remain committed to our mission and to set ever-increasing objectives in terms of serving the needs of Vets and their families, and the community at every opportunity.

In the Spring of 2022, you will be notified of the specific date of the Joint 2021/2022 Meeting in the form of a "Save the Date" announcement. Several individuals deserve special recognition, and we will celebrate those individuals at the Joint 2021/2022 Annual membership Meeting of Semper Fi #3 Memorial Honor Detail Inc. in May of 2022.

I would like to say that it is a privilege for me to serve you as Chairman, and CEO of Semper Fi #3 Memorial Honor Detail.

But more importantly, thank you for your commitment to serve again, and your role in serving the cause. And I would be remiss if I did not recognize the generous support of our Federal Community (by way of the Combined Federal Campaign) and other generous corporate and individual sponsors, also those who have the toughest job in the Marine Corps, "the Marine's wife". We could not do it without you.

If you have questions or suggestions at any time, please call or write.

Respectfully

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