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Executive Order No. 15

TO: Assembly of Greater Appalachia

Cabinet Secretaries of Greater Appalachia

From: Goog Mann, Governor of Greater Appalachia

Date: June 19th, 2021

Subject: Removal of Confederate Headstones

Whereas, The Confederate States of America were a traitorous and unrecognized group of states who attempted to secede from the United States; and

Whereas, a number of provinces within Greater Appalachia were states who attempted to secede; and

Whereas, Greater Appalachia has an unfortunate but long history of celebrating the Confederate States; and

Whereas, Greater Appalachia is where a majority of conflict during the American Civil War took place; and

Whereas, Greater Appalachia is where a majority of casualties occurred during the American Civil War; and

Whereas, Thousands of graves of Union and Confederate soldiers are present within Greater Appalachia in public cemeteries; and

Whereas, It is unacceptable for thousands of Confederate soldiers to be allowed to rest in cemeteries funded by taxpayer dollars.

Therefore, I, Goog Mann, Governor of Greater Appalachia, hereby order the following:

Section 1: Definitions

"Public Cemeteries" refers to a cemetery maintained by taxpayers which is open for use by a community at large.

Section 2: Removal of Confederate Graves

- (1) The Department of Natural and Cultural Resources is hereby ordered to remove the bodies and headstones of all individuals within public cemeteries who fought or died in the American Civil War on the side of the Confederate States of America.
- (2) The families of these individuals shall be offered the remains and headstones.
- (3) All unclaimed remains shall be cremated and discarded by any means.
- (4) All unclaimed headstones shall be destroyed and either discarded by any means or the rubble repurposed.

Section 3: Enactment

- (a) I direct the Lieutenant Governor to take the steps necessary and proper to ensure the publication of this Order in the Regulatory Notice Register and the dissemination of the publication to all State agencies.
- (b) This Order takes effect immediately upon publication in the Regulatory Notice Register.

Signed,

Goog Mann

Governor of Greater Appalachia