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The President of the Mississippi State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution takes pleasure in commending

Marshall Leon Fisher

for his long distinguished career of public service.

**CITATION:**

After his service in the Navy, he began his career in law enforcement as a police officer in Texas and as a parole agent in Louisiana. He graduated from Northeast Louisiana University and later the University of Memphis with Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice.

Fisher retired from the Drug Enforcement Administration, where he was assigned as Agent in Charge of Mississippi DEA operations. During his tenure with the DEA, Fisher was assigned to field offices in Texas, Kansas, Kentucky and DEA Headquarters, where he served as section chief in the Office of Domestic Operations to Europe, Asia, Africa and Canada.

Upon his DEA retirement in 2005, Governor Haley Barbour appointed him as Executive Director of the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics. He restructured the Bureau and supervised support for emergency operations during Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Gustav, revitalized the agency's training program and SWAT team, and initiated the Fusion Center in Jackson as the State's first comprehensive intelligence center. For eight years, Fisher has played a decisive role in all drug control legislation in the state.

In 2014, Governor Phil Bryant named Fisher as Commissioner of the Mississippi Department of Corrections. Then, in 2017, Governor Phil Bryant named Fisher as Commissioner of the Mississippi Department of Public Safety, where he served until 2020. He currently serves as Senior Advisor at Bryant Songy Snell Global Partners in Ridgeland, Mississippi.

Throughout his career, he has coordinated joint operations involving DEA, Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms, Mississippi Bureau of Investigation, Mississippi Highway Patrol, and numerous other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies. His distinguished career reflects credit upon himself and the highest traditions of public service.

Authority: By direction of the MSSAR Awards Committee, Dr. Bryant Boswell Chairman, and the Executive Committee.

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