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At the regularly scheduled meeting of The Hugh T Gregory American Legion Post 63, Winter Garden FL on August 13th, 2020, Commander Kurt Gies was unanimously endorsed for the high office of 3rd Vice Commander of the Department of Florida.

Commander Gies earned his eligibility for membership in the American Legion by serving in the United States Navy from August 1982 to September 2007, where he retired as a Commander in the US Navy Civil Engineer Corps. During his service he received two (2) Defense Meritorious Service medals, four (4) Navy Commendations medals and one (1) Navy Achievement medal along with several personal, unit, and campaign awards. He is currently a Real estate Broker, a Senior Mortgage Consultant and until recently a Registered Professional Engineer in the State of Florida before retiring from engineering.

As a recent graduate of the Florida American Legion College, Commander Gies was selected to represent the 100,000 Florida Legionnaires at the 2018 National American Legion College where he was elected by his peers to serve as one of the 5 American Legion College District Commanders. Additionally, he has served in numerous Post, District, Area and Department-level officer and committee chairman positions.

As Post Commander, his post has earned back-to-back “Wilson Timmons” Award for Best All-Around Post in the Department of Florida as well as back-to-back Best Overall Americanism programs in the Department of Florida in 2017-18 and 2018-19.

Currently, Commander Gies is serving in numerous positions including Winter Garden Post 63 Commander; Dept Americanism Commission Chairman; PROJECT VetRelief Board of Directors; 6th District Commander; PVR/Suicide Prevention Initiative Committee; Bays State Counselor; member of FALPA; member of the National American Legion College Alumni Association and Chairman of the Challenge 22 Event in Winter Garden FL.

It is with great pleasure The Hugh T Gregory American Legion Post 63, Winter Garden FL, endorses the candidacy of Commander Kurt Gies for 3rd Vice Commander of the Department of Florida.

Judd Kuneman
Past Post Commander
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