

Governor's Office

TO

KENNETH J. COLE

of the County of

ADAMS

in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Greetings:

Reposing especial trust and confidence in your prudence, integrity and ability, and under authority of the Constitution and Laws of the said Commonwealth, in such case made and provided, I have appointed and do by these presents Commission you to be

MEMBER OF THE

BATTLE OF GETTYSBURG 125TH ANNIVERSARY COMMISSION

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said office, together will all the rights, powers and privileges thereunto belonging, or by law in anywise appertaining, until June 30, 1989, and until your successor is appointed and qualified, if you shall so long behave yourself well.

THIS appointment to compute from December 10, 1987.



GIVEN under my hand and the Great Seal of the State, at the City of Harrisburg, this tenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-seven and the Commonwealth the two hundred and twelfth.

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By the Governor:

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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HARRISBURG, Feb. 18 -- In a capitol news conference today, a full calendar of events commemorating the Battle of Gettysburg in this 125th anniversary year was unveiled.

Rep. Kenneth J. Cole, D-Adams, who serves as chairman of the state-appointed Battle of Gettysburg 125th Anniversary Commission to coordinate anniversary events, said the commission has compiled "A Preview of Commemorative Events," available in his offices, and celebration plans are in "full swing."

"The anniversary commission is endorsing an action-packed calendar of events that is both educational and fun for the public," Cole said. "We expect an overwhelming tourist population this anniversary year and have been making plans to see that the trip to Gettysburg is memorable."

The tourist influx is expected to be a boon to not only Gettysburg's economy, but also to Pennsylvania's, and visitors are encouraged to plan their trips to Gettysburg early.

"This historical anniversary will bring visitors from throughout the nation to Gettysburg this summer," said Andrew Bergstein, Director of Communications for the state Commerce Department, who spoke at the news conference. "We welcome them and invite them to plan well ahead by calling 1-800-VISIT-PA for information on events and accommodations throughout Southcentral Pennsylvania."

Opening the anniversary celebration is the May 30 Memorial Day Parade and National Cemetery Services. Other event highlights are living history encampments featuring authentic Civil War soldier life and battle re-enactments demonstrating war tactics June 24, 25 and 26 and July 1, 2 and 3.

Perhaps the most stirring of activities will be the July 2 symbolic exchange of battle flags between the governors of Pennsylvania, Virginia and New York, to which Secretary of the Army

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John O. Marsh, Jr. and other dignitaries have been invited. President Reagan and Governor Casey are tentatively scheduled to attend the Eternal Light Peace Memorial re-dedication program July 3.

Concluding the anniversary year will be a re-enactment of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address Nov. 19, complete with an authentic train arrival and procession to the National Cemetery.

Cole said plans between the National Park Service and the Pennsylvania State Police have already been formulated to handle the predicted traffic and parking influx.

"The commission members and local organizations planning events have been meeting with the authorities to coordinate our traffic patterns," Cole said. "Our local radio station, WGET, has already volunteered to announce traffic advisories at ten-minute intervals."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Please see attached "A Preview of Commemorative Events" for more specific dates and times of anniversary events.

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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania department of state harrisburg, pennsylvania 17120

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

January 12, 1988

The Honorable Kenneth J. Cole R. D. #1 Ortanna, PA 17353

Dear Representative Cole:

I am pleased to enclose a commission from the Governor appointing you to be a Member of the Battle of Gettysburg 125th Anniversary Commission.

Also enclosed is a Constitutional Oath of Office required to be filed with the the Secretary of the Commonwealth before you assume the duties of your office.

The Oath must be taken and signed immediately. For your convenience, you may have your oath taken before any of the following public officers:

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH DEPUTY SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH JUDGE NOTARY PUBLIC DISTRICT JUSTICE CLERK OF COURTS PROTHONOTARY

Following the execution of the Oath, please mail it to the Department of State, Bureau of Commissions, 305 North Office Building, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120-0029.

My best wishes to you in your service to the citizens of the Commonwealth.

Sincerely,

James J. Haggerty, Esquire Secretary of the Commonwealth

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