

17 October 2024

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Long Gray Line and all who support West Point

SUBJECT: WPAOG 2023 IRS Form 990 Tax Return for Nonprofit Organizations

- 1. On behalf of the West Point Association of Graduates (WPAOG) Board of Directors and staff, I am pleased to provide WPAOG's 2023 tax return recently filed with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). We present this information in the spirit of transparency and to ensure confidence in our mission, "To Serve West Point and the Long Gray Line."
- 2. West Point Association of Graduates (WPAOG) is the Alumni Association and Foundation for the United States Military Academy (USMA). Our mission is to serve West Point and the Long Gray Line; our Vision is for the Long Gray Line to be the most highly connected alumni body in the world. Thanks to the generosity of the Long Gray Line and all who support West Point as the preeminent leader development institution in the world, contributions in 2023 (cash, pledges, and planned gifts) to the West Point Association of Graduates totaled \$83.3 million. The United States Military Academy, the Corps of Cadets, and WPAOG deeply appreciate this steadfast support for West Point and the Long Gray Line.
- 3. Some of the programs and services made possible by donor support in 2023 were: Career Services, Class, Society and Shared Interest Group support, Class Ring Memorial Program, 50-year Affiliation Program, Grads Helping Grads and the Gripping Hands Program, Grad Link, Sallyport, Memorial Support, Rockbound Highland Home Program (Grad Pass, Grad Perks, & Grad Insider Tour), Veterans Services, the Hudson Valley Program, and award programs designed to inspire the Corps (Distinguished Graduate, Thayer, and Nininger Awards). Communications support includes West Point Magazine, First Call, and Podcasts. Support for West Point includes gift-funded Construction, Margin of Excellence programs enhancing the cadet experience, which provides for Cadet Academic Internships, Cadet Academic Trips, Academic Centers, Cadet Scholarship Programs, Intercollegiate Athletics, and Cadet Clubs, ensuring West Point remains competitive with other top-tier institutions of higher learning and the preeminent leader development institution in the nation.
- 4. We proudly represent you and the ideals of Duty, Honor, Country. Should you have specific questions about this return, please contact our CFO, Bob Schaffer, at <u>robert.schaffer@wpaog.org</u>

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