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### **President's Philosophy**

The National Guard Association of Kansas (NGAKS) exists to serve and support the Guardsmen of Kansas as we plan, prepare, and execute missions to benefit our fellow Kansans at home and abroad. We accomplish this through:

1. Professional development and online resources.
2. Mentorship and developing diverse relationships across branches and specialties.
3. Advocacy for legislation in support of Guardsmen and their Families, as well as parity with the Active component.

NGAKS is a member centered association of professional leaders. We exist to develop our members in the profession of arms and as members of a learning community. This enables them to flourish personally and professionally due to relationships and resources gained through membership.

We will measure our success through membership, participation at the State Conference, and participation at the NGAUS Conference. We are a 100% membership state, but this is a hard-fought achievement every year. We only had six company grade officers at this year's State Conference. At last year's NGAUS Conference we had twenty-eight delegates – around 3% of our members. These are our goals this year:

- 100% membership by the end of May.
- Sixty company grade officers attend the State Conference.
- Forty-two delegates attend the NGAUS Conference.

Which we will achieve by providing value. Our members will engage, and these metrics will grow.

Achieving these goals will require teamwork and commitment, but even small contributions are valuable as we work towards these ends. I invite you to be a part of our team. Together we will be one team, always ready, Kansas strong.

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President, NGAKS