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The Medical Officer in Charge, U. S. Public Health Service Hospital No. 37 Waukesha, Wisc.

My dear Doctor:

Legislation will be introduced in a few days providing for the addition of 450 officers to the Regular Corps. As soon as the bill is introduced copies will be sent you. What I am asking you to do at once is to organize your Reserve Officers into a local post or association, make an assessment for future expenses, and notify this office.

A number of hospitals have already organized and I am in touch with them daily by wire and mail. It is proposed to organize each hospital and other places where there are enough Reserve Officers to form an organization. After these organizations are perfected and the bill for the increase of the corps is before Corpress you will then be asked to get behind the bill and push it vigorously. Each Reserve Officer can reach some Congressman or Senator, and naturally I presume that they will do so.

First perfect your organization locally, and wire or write this office of the organization. We will then get in touch with you as to the status of affairs in Washington and all of us together can put this legislation into effect.

Respectfully,

T. H. Scott, Senior Surgeon (Reserve), General Inspection Service, U. S. Public Realth Service.