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5 October 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, 411th Hospital Center, ATTN: SFC Kevin Spaulding, P.O. Box 25, USNAS Jacksonville, FL 32212

SUBJECT: Distinctive Unit Insignia for the 411th Hospital Center

1. A distinctive unit insignia is authorized effective this date for the 411th Hospital Center. The description and symbolism of the design are as follows:

DESCRIPTION

A gold metal device 1 3/16 inches (3.02 cm) in height, consisting of a snake coiled in the shape of an eternity knot Or, entwined around a medical cross, Sanguine, surmounted by a Roman sword throughout with the hilt behind the head of the snake, all of the first. Below the device a gold scroll inscribed 'SERVAMUS VINCIMUS' in Infantry blue letters.

SYMBOLISM

The snake often is a symbol of regeneration, rebirth, or transformation since it sheds its skin. Here it alludes to the prior history of the 411TH HOSPITAL CENTER as the 411TH MEDICAL CONCENTRATION CENTER, and is now represented by the Yellow Rat Snake, which is indigenous to Florida and is known for aggressively eliminating disease vectors harmful to humans. This snake likes water, is a good swimmer, and likes to hunt from strong cypress oaks, which is symbolic of the unit's location on the St. John's River in Jacksonville, Florida. The snake is also a traditional symbol of healing coming from Asclepius, the god of medicine and healing, who carried a staff with a snake coiled around it. The image of a snake in a circular knot swallowing its tail (Ourogoros) is a symbol of eternity. The Roman Centurion sword is a symbol of combat, as the Romans were known for their aggressive military conquests. The Maroon medical cross represents the ongoing mission of aid and healing at the 411TH HOSPITAL CENTER. The motto in Latin "Servamus Vincimus" translates to "We Save We Conquer."

2. This authorization is in accordance with AR 670-1 and Headquarters, U.S. Army Reserve Command Permanent Order F-278-018, dated 04 October 2016. A copy of this letter will become part of your permanent organizational history files.

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SIX TIMES SIZE



ACTUAL SIZE

**DISTINCTIVE UNIT INSIGNIA
411th HOSPITAL CENTER**



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This Drawing is 6x-Actual Size

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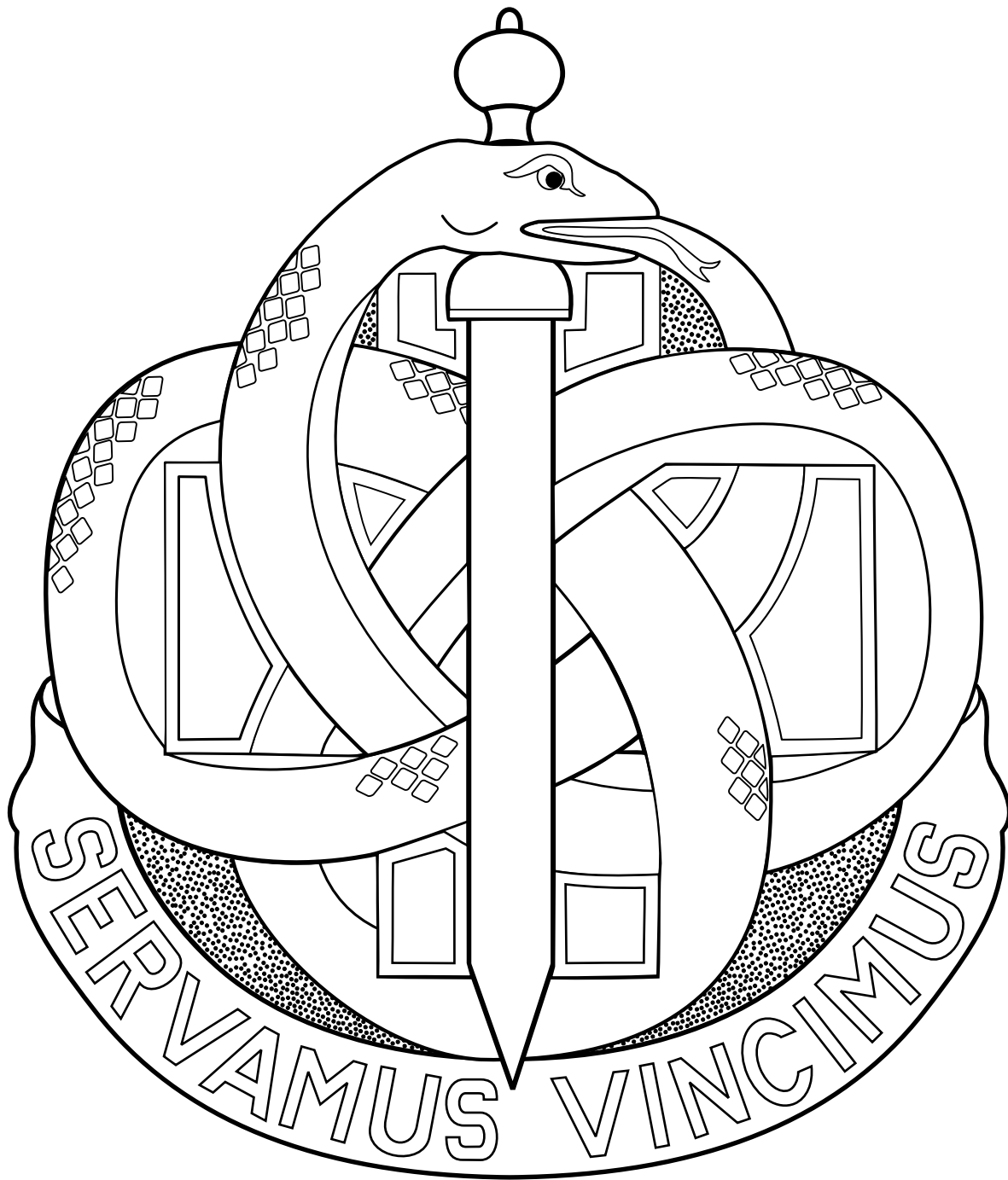
METAL COLOR
& PLATING-----Gold
FINISH-----Mirror-like polish

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EPOXY-----Floating
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For Color Placement Only
Not For Color Match

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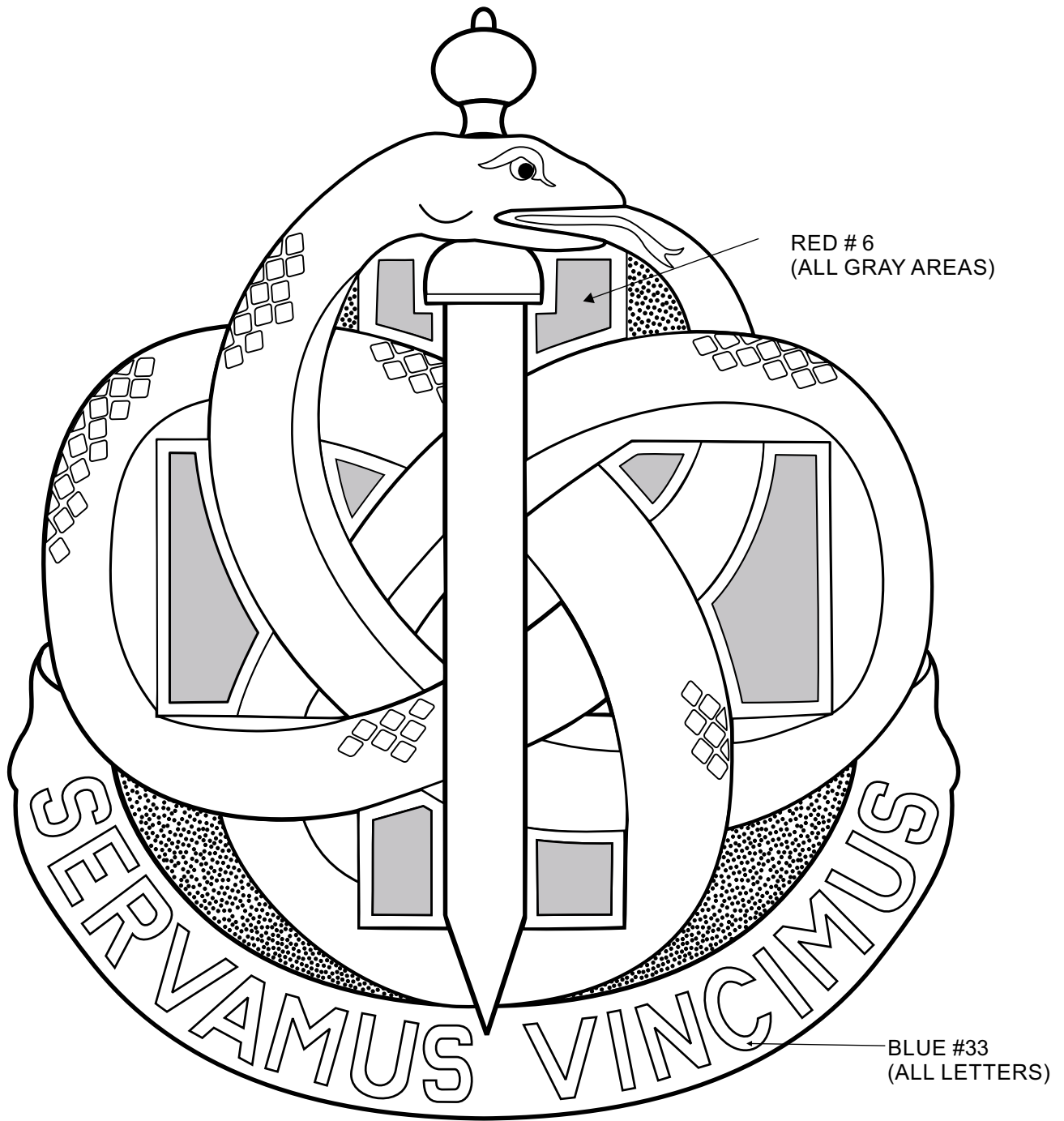
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