My name is Kevin Stone, and I am honored to present my candidacy for the office of I-LYA Rear Commodore.

Professionally, I am the owner and operator of K Stone Productions, an embroidery and canvas business I founded four years ago. Previously, I co-owned Stone Pizza in Riverview for 11 years. Prior to my business ventures, I had a 23-year career in engineering at Ford Motor Company, retiring in 2022. During my time at Ford, I specialized in vehicle testing and had the privilege of working on elite programs within Ford Performance.

I have been an active member of the boating community for over two decades. Joining the Great Lakes Steel Boat Club (GLSBC) in 2002, I have served on the board for 14 years in various roles, including Entertainment Chair, Dock Chair, Grounds Chair, and my current role as Treasurer. As a GLSBC Bridge member, I served two years each as Rear Commodore (2014–2015), Vice Commodore (2016–2017), and Commodore (2018–2019). Additionally, I have been an AYC Delegate for 13 years, President of IOBG District 25, and am a member of both the Riverview Yacht Club and the Ford Yacht Club.

My involvement with I-LYA includes four years as a Trustee and 13 years as a Delegate. I have served as Head Fleet Captain for Commodores Lloyd Bogue, Scott Kneisel, and Dean Reamsnyder, and as Fleet Captain for Commodores Mike Powers, Steve Hyder, and Bob Lang. I also served on the Powerboat Committee for four years, was named Mid-American Skipper of the Year in 2025, and was honored as Yachtsman of the Year in 2026.

It has long been my aspiration to serve I-LYA and work toward the role of Commodore. I believe my extensive experience, dedication, and deep commitment to our boating community qualify me to serve you effectively as Rear Commodore.

I respectfully ask for your support.

Respectfully,

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