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In order to further improve the lines of communication and to respond to the concerns between the National VA Council and you our members, I have established a National VA Council Briefing. This NVAC Briefing will bring you the latest news and developments within DVA and provide you with the current status of issues this Council is currently addressing. I believe that this NVAC Briefing will greatly enhance the way in which we communicate and the way in which we share new information, keeping you better informed.

Alma L. Lee
National VA Council, President

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VA is a remarkably complex organization, but at the end of the day, we are judged against a single metric—how well are we taking care of the needs of our Nation’s Veterans. Our employees are the key to our success in meeting this objective. On behalf of the Secretary and Deputy Secretary, I want to publicly recognize some of the VA employees who have provided great service to our Nation’s Veterans and their families, and to thank all of our employees for continuing to make the Department’s core values—Integrity, Commitment, Advocacy, Respect, and Excellence—central to what we do.

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