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Denise Biaggi-Ayer, Executive Director
Office of Labor Management Relations (LMR)
Department of Veterans Affairs
810 Vermont Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20420

Subject: VA OCHCO Bulletin Parental Bereavement Leave

Dear Ms. Biaggi-Ayer:

The National VA Council #53 agrees with the Department's establishment of Parental Bereavement Leave, in OCHCO Bulletin cited above, under the National Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 2022 (Section 1111 of Public Law 117-81).

Eligible employee's qualifying for a one-time entitlement to two workweeks of bereavement of leave because of the death of a qualifying son or daughter. An employee may not use bereavement leave for the death of a child which occurred prior to December 27, 2021. If you have any questions, please contact me at (217) 554-4979.

Sincerely,

Oscar L. Williams, Jr.
Chairperson, Mid-Term Bargaining Committee
2nd Executive Vice President
National VA Council #53

cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53
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