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MEMBERSHIP

It has been said that with great challenges come great opportunities to demonstrate strength and courage. Our DAV Auxiliary has proven this to be true. While Covid-19 has interrupted our routines, put a hiatus on meetings and made recruiting difficult, we have remained focused and strong. Continuing to focus on our goal of service to Veterans and their families; and our appeal to all members to remain strong in their endeavors to recruit new members, keeps us on the right track for Auxiliary growth.

I would like to congratulate the Units and State Departments that have already made quota, and encourage the continuation of recruiting, because there is no stop sign at quota. Additionally, thanks and words of encouragement go out to the Units and State Departments that are still working to meet quota. Just think of this, as of June 1, 2020 we had met 99.87% of our National Membership Quota in spite of limitations. Therefore, I am confident that we will meet our membership goal before the end of the membership year, June 30, 2020.

The writer, Suzy Kassem said, "If the fire in your heart is strong enough, it will burn away any obstacle that comes your way." Oh yes, we have the fire! Unity started our fire, the unity that exist within each Unit and our State Departments. This unity gains momentum and carries us to the National level where the flames can burn away any remaining obstacles. No matter where you are, regardless of the challenges, I encourage you to fan the flames of unity to identify innovative methods of increasing membership because membership remains the lifeline of our Auxiliary.

Thank you for your support, your friendship, your caring and diligent teamwork in support of our Veterans and their families.

"MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS PRIVILEGES"