INCREASE AWARENESS OF THE BENEFITS FEMALE VETERANS CAN RECEIVE AT THE VA MEDICAL CENTER THAT ARE SPECIFIC TO THERE NEEDS THROUGH THE VAMC WOMEN VETERAN PROGRAM MANAGER (WVPM)

WHEREAS, the VHA facility director must comply with and be held accountable to VA Directive 1330.01; and

WHEREAS, also the VHA facility director must comply with and be held accountable to VA Directive 1330.02; and

WHEREAS, administrative assistants will be provided so the VHA facility wide program will not be ran by one person, the WVPM; and

WHEREAS, there will be 100 percent allotted time solely for the role of WVPM, not on collateral duty; and

WHEREAS, overtime for outreach will be authorized; and

WHEREAS, a sufficient and private space be provided so female veterans will have a location to receive suitable assistance; and

WHEREAS, a sufficient and private space be provided so the WVPM will have a location to provide assistance; and

WHEREAS, more time will be provided to make aware the younger female veterans of the services that are available to them at the VHA; and

WHEREAS, there is an increase in female veterans joining the military, so when they are out processing the informative information regarding VHA benefits available to females are falling through the cracks, more time will be provided to make them aware; and

WHEREAS, more time will be provided to make aware the maternity benefits at the VHA; and

WHEREAS, more time will be provided to make aware of gender-specific service, including Pap smears, mammography, and prenatal, benefits at the VHA; and

WHEREAS, more time will be provided to make aware and provide knowledge about treatment for conditions related to sexual assault or sexual harassment experienced while serving in the military; and

WHEREAS, more time will be provided to make aware the resources regarding female veteran homelessness with their children; NOW

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that DAV in National Convention assembled in Orlando, Florida, August 3 thru August 6, seeks to ensure improvement in awareness in female veteran benefits provided by the VHA.