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MEMORANDUM

TO: DAV Department Commanders and Adjutants
DAV Chapter Commanders and Adjutants
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DAVA Unit Commanders and Adjutants

FROM: Moses A. McIntosh, Jr., National Commander

SUBJECT: SOLICITATION OF FUNDS

DATE: November 24, 2015

As each DAV and DAVA Department and their Chapters and Units should be aware, the practice of soliciting contributions via the internet, social media or any other way which reaches donors outside of their geographic boundaries is strictly prohibited. DAV and DAV Departments, and their subordinate entities are limited to operate within the boundaries of their chartered territories in accordance with *Article 15, Sections 15.2, 15.3 and 15.4 of the National Bylaws*.

As I have become aware of instances where DAV and DAVA Departments and their Chapters and Units are operating outside their geographic boundaries, and it is my responsibility to oversee and enforce the National Constitution, Bylaws and National Executive Committee (NEC) Regulations, I must require all online solicitations be terminated immediately.

As a reminder, any and all fundraising activities of a Department must first meet with the prior approval of the NEC in accordance with *Article 15, Section 15.2, Para. 1 of the National Bylaws*. Chapter fundraisers which appeal to the general public must meet with the prior approval of their Department in accordance with *Article 15, Section 15.3, Para. 1 of the National Bylaws*. DAVA Department and Unit fundraisers are governed by *Article 15, Section 15.4 of the National Bylaws*. As the DAV Department has overall authority to approve or disapprove fundraising requests by DAV Chapters and DAVA Units, in no instance should a Department approve any such fundraising activity which involves solicitation via the internet, social media or in any other way which gains access to support outside of their geographic boundaries.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and compliance. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Inspector General Edward E. Hartman via email at ehartman@dav.org.



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