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<p>1 2018 NATIONAL CONVENTION 2 LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION 3 4 86TH LA FRA 5 NATIONAL CONVENTION 6 7 8 4TH BUSINESS SESSION 9 September 28, 2018 10 1:00 p.m. 11 12 Omni Hotel 13 9821 Colonnade Boulevard 14 San Antonio, Texas 78230 15 16 National President 17 JEAN D. SMITH, Presiding 18 19 20 Reported by: 21 Janalyn Elkins, CSR 22 23 24 25</p>	<p>1 Unit. On the -- there is only two official copies of 2 the application. Those long white ones, the ones that 3 your Unit has made up, the one that your Region has made 4 up, if I get them from now on, I'm sending them back 5 because it doesn't have all the information that I need 6 for the database. And they're not official documents. 7 You know, they're made up by other people. So it was 8 determined that there are only the brochure that's on 9 the website -- I mean, the application that's on the 10 website or the brochure. So please, if I get any of 11 those white ones or whatever, I'm sending them back. 12 I'm going to say this first, only because to me 13 it's very important, the PCT, as we all know is, 14 50 percent goes to General Treasury and the other 15 50 percent goes to the Unit. Anybody that's paying 16 advance pay, the Unit gets the 50 percent up front. So 17 if, hypothetically, somebody pays \$100, Unit is getting 18 \$50, the National Treasury is getting \$50. And for the 19 next five years for that particular member, you're not 20 going to get any PCT. So if you have 25 members in your 21 Unit and 10 of them pay up front, then they're not going 22 to get the PCT and you have to make sure you make 23 allowances in your budget. Because if you think you 24 have 25 members and you're going to get \$10 during the 25 course of that year and you're basing your budget on it,</p>
<p>Page 2</p> <p>1 NP SMITH: Sergeant At Arms, would you please 2 close the door and invite the members in? 3 SERGEANT AT ARMS: Madam National President, the 4 members are invited in and doors are closed. 5 (3 raps). 6 NP SMITH: Madam National Chaplain, will you 7 open the Bible, please? 8 NATIONAL CHAPLAIN NATHAN: Madam National 9 President, the Bible is open. 10 NP SMITH: Thank you. 11 I have a request. All members that this is 12 their first time to Convention, would use please stand? 13 (Applause). 14 NP SMITH: I hope you enjoy it immensely. 15 Moving on. Do you have an MSA report? 16 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: Is it all right with you 17 if I turn backwards? 18 NP SMITH: It doesn't bother me. I love you, 19 front or back. 20 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: It's big enough. This 21 is Cindy Rodham-Tuck, Regional President Northeast/New 22 England, Unit 42 Delegate, MSA. All right. I have a 23 few things that I would like to tell everybody, 24 particularly directed at the Regional Presidents and 25 also their Secretaries or whoever does your PCT for your</p>	<p>Page 4</p> <p>1 you're not going to get it. I'm not discouraging people 2 from paying in advance. It's just the fact that this 3 is -- you need to be aware of this particular situation. 4 The other thing, too, is we only pay five years 5 because of an eligibility situation. Because if you 6 lose your sponsor, you know, for a divorce or whatever, 7 then you are no longer eligible unless you can find 8 another sponsor, like a son or daughter or whatever. So 9 that's why the advance pay -- I mean, that's why the 10 dues only go for five years. On the application what I 11 need, named spelled out. Please don't give me 12 nicknames. Please give me the official name. The 13 address, the ZIP code plus four. You will be doing me 14 an immense favor, if you will do that. You can get the 15 zip plus four on the USPS website. And please -- so 16 then the phone number and the e-mail. E-mail is not 17 required, but if they want to receive any communication, 18 then, you know, we can do it by e-mail and it's also an 19 identifier for me. And hopefully at one point -- at 20 some point, I'm hoping that I'm going to be able to get 21 a report if people want it, your Units want it, 22 hopefully I'm going to be able to get a report that I 23 can send out the e-mail for you. 24 The sponsor -- you need to designate whether 25 it's a Branch or a Unit. Technically, you're supposed</p>

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<p>1 to include the number, the membership number and also 2 the relationship. And then also the recruiter. I 3 have -- there must be 200 on my membership list that 4 have no recruiter. I'm sure somebody recruited them. 5 And what's happening is you people aren't getting credit 6 for recruiting someone. And again, I need to know 7 whether that's a Branch member or a Unit member. 8 Please, please do them clearly. I'm not a mind reader. 9 Please don't use abbreviations. I happen to know what 10 IB stands for. I happen to know what CC stands for. 11 But if it's a little tiny town somewhere, I can't even 12 determine -- I do go to a website and try to find it 13 out. But don't use abbreviations.</p> <p>14 I want a -- if the Unit is sending it in or the 15 Unit, I would like to have a PCT with it. Part of the 16 reason I want you to do the PCT is that's forcing you to 17 look at the application and making sure that -- you 18 can't read it, I can't read it. Do not send cash. Do 19 not send cash. Do not send cash because then I have to 20 make out a personal check and remember to put it back in 21 my bank account. On the PCT-A -- by the way, those 22 checks are made out the LAFRA. And like Pat said, don't 23 make it out to me. I appreciate it, but it's illegal. 24 I can't do that. And don't make it out to LAFRA MSA 25 either. It's LAFRA. Please make sure when you're</p>	<p>1 updated it. I would prefer that you use -- it's 2 fillable and I would prefer you to use that one. But 3 obviously not everyone has e-mail or internet access, so 4 that's kind of okay if you use one of the other ones. 5 But still it's -- the one on the website is updated. On 6 the renewals if they -- if a member gives you the 7 renewal if you're renewing from your Unit, just make 8 sure that the information is correct. Again, if you're 9 going to put in -- say you call somebody Cookie, all 10 right, her name is Charlotte. If you put in Cookie, I 11 may not know who that is. On the PCT-B where it says 12 changes, the old form used to say just the part, the 13 sections that are -- because in case you didn't 14 understand part, the sections -- you're only supposed to 15 fill out the sections that have changed. Well, if you 16 put in 34 -- if my membership number is 3406, if you put 17 in 34060 and you haven't put in the person's name, then 18 I don't know that that's wrong and I'm going to change 19 the address on somebody that is 34060, you know what I'm 20 saying?</p> <p>21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I know.</p> <p>22 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: And what my note here 23 says please add the name and the member number. On the 24 PCT-B on the date of -- I mean, on the death notice, if 25 they are -- I need to have the date of death if you know</p>
<p>Page 6</p> <p>1 counting and adding up what you're sending in, make sure 2 the checks add up because otherwise I have to mail them 3 back and this is a lot of -- it creates problems, not 4 only for you but for me. And I'm not a very organized 5 person.</p> <p>6 So on the PCT-A, if you want to, you can make 7 out two lines which would indicate all the information 8 that you're transposing from the application. It is 9 also forcing you to look at the application. One of the 10 things I forgot on what needs to be on the application 11 is also the date of birth. It is not required, but it's 12 an identifier. So if there's three -- you know, Smith 13 is a very popular name. And if there are three or four 14 Linda Smiths or Jane Smiths or whatever, if I don't 15 have -- I need to have something to differentiate. Do 16 the same thing on a reinstate.</p> <p>17 One of the things that you need to know, 18 sometimes you guys don't have a history to go back and 19 see if Jane Doe was a member. Before I go any further, 20 I always look up the membership. So Cindy Rodham-Tuck, 21 I look up Rodham and I look up Tuck. If it's a daughter 22 or something like that, sometimes I'll even go in under 23 the sponsor's name. And so I will know more than you 24 will whether that's a reinstate.</p> <p>25 The PCT form that's on the website, Doris has</p>	<p>Page 8</p> <p>1 it. And if you don't know it, if you could just 2 indicate that you don't know what that is. I do go into 3 the website or contact Doris or sometimes Christina to 4 see whether they have found a date of death on a member. 5 So we do make sure we try to find that out. On the 6 changes -- okay. I've already said that. Oh, I know 7 what it is.</p> <p>8 If you have any change -- anything that doesn't 9 involve money, death notices, changes, whatever, save 10 yourself the postage and send it to me e-mail. It's 11 fine with me. I'll accept it that way. Just make sure 12 it's accurate.</p> <p>13 What you need to also know is that is -- when 14 the -- the MSA only closes out once a month. The 15 closeout includes printing the membership card, printing 16 the dues notices, and printing reminders. It can only 17 be done once a month because they're printed out three 18 to a page. And for some reason or other, there is no 19 easy way to print one card. And I'm not as smart as Pat 20 was and so she sometimes was able to do it, but I 21 haven't been able to do it. So you need to understand, 22 if a due's notice goes out and the member doesn't get 23 it, I don't know because it's going bulk mail and they 24 only go out once a month. I had a Unit Secretary call 25 me this week, apparently the woman didn't get a reminder</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 9</p> <p>1 notice and she wanted me to send another one. I said, 2 well, why don't you just tell her to send it to me, you 3 know. Why do I have to send her another reminder? At 4 60 days the MSA sends out a 60-day reminder to the 5 member. That's -- I'm telling you that just so that, 6 you know, you're not wasting your time at 60 days, 7 although double - if you're going to do it twice doesn't 8 hurt. I think I did that.</p> <p>9 Oh, and if you receive a membership card and 10 you're not expecting one and you look at it and you say, 11 "What the heck, Cindy is sending me a renewal notice and 12 I'm not due yet," it's only because I'm doing a test. 13 If I'm doing membership cards, I have to have 200 to do 14 bulk mail; otherwise, it has to first class. So I try 15 to dummy up, is the way I look at it, dummy up the 16 difference between, say, 170 and 200 just so that I can 17 send them out bulk mail. So then I try to write test 18 across it. But what I would like you to do if you ever 19 are lucky enough to receive that communication from me, 20 please e-mail me, call me, or whatever and let me know 21 what date you got it. I'm trying to track how long it's 22 taking and to see whether people are getting them. Now 23 I just lost what I was going to say.</p> <p>24 Does anybody have any questions? The Unit 25 reports -- Sandra.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 11</p> <p>1 organization. Lady Dye, 1900.</p> <p>2 We also have several members who's birthday is 3 listed as 2021. They've not been born yet. They have 4 to be at least 16 years of age to be a member. I'm 5 going to ask you-all to please go back, look at your 6 PCTs, check your birthdays, get with your people, and 7 try to get an accurate date. We're not going to tell 8 anybody how old you are, honestly. It's a way for 9 the -- if we're ever challenged by the IRS, I know you 10 guys get tired of hearing me saying this, it is a way 11 for the IRS to double-check and make sure that you are 12 actually a member. So please, please, correct your 13 birthdays.</p> <p>14 MS. BABE KILGORE: Babe Kilgore, Unit 22 15 Delegate. I just have a question as long as we're on 16 these numbers. What's the 2035 stand for.</p> <p>17 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: On the Members-At-Large 18 and the honorary members, because they're not actually a 19 member, the default is 999 and then, you know, whatever 20 goes after that. The 2034 is the Life Members and the 21 honorary members and because they're not members and 22 they don't have an expiration date, so the computer 23 doesn't kick out a renewal notice for them. It's a 24 default. It's been that way since 1995 when the program 25 was put in.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 10</p> <p>1 MS. SAUNDRA: For clarification for people that 2 don't know, what does PCT stand for?</p> <p>3 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: PCT stands for per 4 capita tax. And that's how the Units and the National 5 receives money.</p> <p>6 Anybody else?</p> <p>7 There was something I was going to say. Anyway. 8 Okay. Thank you very much for all your help. Again, 9 please put the zip plus four, please. USPS.com.</p> <p>10 (Applause).</p> <p>11 NP SMITH: Thanks, Cindy.</p> <p>12 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: Sorry, I need to do one 13 more thing. I didn't mean to do it, one more thing. 14 But I want everybody to know, I thought it was the US 15 Post Office that messed up. It was me. The August 16 renewals did not go out in June when they were supposed 17 to. They did finally go out the beginning of August. 18 But I just want you to know, yes, Babe, I know, I messed 19 up. But I just wanted everybody to know that the August 20 renewals didn't go out. Okay. Well, they didn't go out 21 on time.</p> <p>22 NVP MURRAY: Christina Murray, Unit 40 Delegate, 23 National Vice President, Membership Chairman. I just 24 thought you might want to know who's listed on the 25 membership roll as the oldest person in the</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 12</p> <p>1 One of the other things I wanted to say and to 2 follow up with what Christina is saying, the reason that 3 the dates of birth are the way they are is if they don't 4 give us the date. We have to default it to something. 5 So, you know, the oldest member in our organization 6 refused to have her year put in. So therefore, that's 7 why it says 1900. Okay. Before I sit down, anymore 8 questions? They want me to sit down and shut up.</p> <p>9 MS. BABE KILGORE: What's 135.</p> <p>10 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: It's the same thing 11 because if they had to default to a membership date, end 12 date so it won't quick out a renewal notice.</p> <p>13 Okay. Thank you.</p> <p>14 NP SMITH: Thank you, Cindy.</p> <p>15 At this time, I would like to give my report. 16 What year served, 2017-2018. How many patriotic -- 17 other organizations did you represent, the Ladies 18 Auxiliary Fleet Reserve Association, 15. How many 19 Units, October 1, 2017, beginning your fiscal year, 87. 20 How many Units, September 30, 2018, end of fiscal year, 21 81. How many Units formed during term of office, zero. 22 How many Units at end of term of office, 81.</p> <p>23 In the Post Board meeting after National 24 Convention my year began as a not so positive note 25 because my first duty as National President was to</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 13</p> <p>1 suspend the Northwest Region for noncompliance since 2 they had no officers. I immediately began contacting 3 Past National Presidents for guidance and counsel in how 4 to bring the Northwest back into compliance. It was 5 suggested and agreed that I appoint an Administrator for 6 the Northwest Region. Past National President Gail 7 Doloway volunteered to offer her services to work with 8 the Units in the Northwest Region to bring them back 9 into compliance. I created an NBR to appoint Gail as 10 administrator for the Northwest Region, which was 11 affirmed, and she set off full speed ahead to get to 12 work. I am pleased to report that the Northwest is now 13 in good working order with all paperwork completed and 14 submitted. Thank you, Gail, you made my job look easy. 15 My first official visit was in December to visit 16 the Unit in Hawaii to represent the Ladies Auxiliary in 17 the Pearl Harbor commemoration and present a wreath at 18 the USS Arizona. My daughter, Patricia Marsh, traveled 19 with me and we were greeted at the airport by Past 20 Regional President Marjorie Ippert of Unit 46. Marjorie 21 escorted us everywhere and was a gracious and wonderful 22 hostess and she showed us the wonderful crafts and wares 23 at the outdoor market. Shipmate Shaw kindly carried us 24 very early in the morning to meet the shuttle for our 25 trip to Pearl Harbor for the ceremony, which was very</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 15</p> <p>1 South-Central in Shreveport, Louisiana and then finished 2 the month on March 22nd through the 24th at the West 3 Coast Mid-Year. It was great to see the different ways 4 that Mid-Years are conducted. While in California, Bob 5 and I were able to visit friends of 45 years and it was 6 a great reunion. Lots of laughs and fun. In April I 7 attended the North-Central Mid-Year in Branson, 8 Missouri. When I arrived, I thought I had stepped out 9 of the car into Pigeon Forge, Tennessee as many of the 10 sites and attractions were identical. 11 Then on the Pilgrimage -- then on to the 12 Pilgrimage on April 13th through the 14th at Arlington 13 National Cemetery. I had the privilege of assisting 14 National President William Starkey in presenting the 15 Pinnacle Award to Mike Hoffman. I thought the ceremony 16 at Arlington was very moving in times past, but to be 17 able to place the wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown 18 Soldier is such an honor. When I turned around from 19 placing the wreath to walk back up the stairs through 20 the sea of white of 1,000 Auxiliary members, it was 21 truly unforgettable moment. 22 On May 12th I attended the Unit 294 23 five-birthday celebration. Since I was one of the 24 instituting officers, it was my privilege to be there on 25 their fifth anniversary. Then in June I attended the</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 14</p> <p>1 moving. There is really nothing that can compare to the 2 reverence displayed at the Arizona Memorial. 3 After arriving back at Branch 46, myself and 4 William Starkey were invited to speak about the 5 FRA/LAFRA on a local TV station that aired community 6 events by Branch member the following day. What an 7 eventful day. 8 I attended the Knoxville Branch Unit 194 9 Christmas party at RJ's Courtyard Restaurant toward the 10 end of December. In January I traveled to North 11 Carolina to celebrate both our January birthdays with my 12 sister, Thelma; the reason for the National President's 13 project for Alzheimer's. 14 Shortly after this Convention, I will be 15 visiting with my sister as her condition seems to be 16 deteriorating rapidly over the last few months. We're 17 still able to laugh and have fun, but we sadly cannot 18 reminisce about old times anymore as those memories have 19 faded. I pray every day that God is kind to her. 20 On February, 6th Bobby and I traveled to San 21 Antonio to visit and complete the inspection of the site 22 of the National Convention at the Omni Hotel. It was 23 and is a beautiful hotel. On February 22nd through 24 24th, I attended the Southeast Mid-Year in Birmingham 25 and then March 16th through the 18th, I traveled to the</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 16</p> <p>1 Knoxville Branch and Unit 194 Picnic and Officer 2 Installation. Past Regional President Jerry Brice was 3 the installing officer. A great time was had by all who 4 attended. And then July 20th through 21 I attended the 5 East Coast Regional Convention in Providence, Maryland. 6 It was a great time and I learned a few things, too. On 7 August 3rd through 4 I attended the Southwest Regional 8 Convention in Laughlin, Nevada. I was privileged to 9 install the newly elected Regional Vice President. My 10 question is, how does anyone live there? The 11 temperature never got below 115 degrees. 12 Then August 16th through 18 I attended the 13 Northwest Regional Convention in Boise, Idaho. The 14 highlight of my visit was to install the newly elected 15 Regional Officers. The Northwest Region has come so far 16 this year and I am so very proud to be a part of it. We 17 were able to visit more old friends in Boise. They are 18 the lifelong friends we made while I was moving from 19 base to base with my husband. I finished the month, 20 August 23rd through 25, at the Southeast Regional 21 Convention in Pensacola, Florida. It was a ton of 22 walking, but a wonderful time was had by all. 23 I had plans to visit additional Units and 24 Regions during the summer, but some health problems 25 prevented my ability to accomplish this goal. I will be</p>

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<p>1 having surgery that will hopefully put me back on my 2 feet following the National Convention. 3 I want to thank everyone for electing me for 4 this opportunity of a lifetime. I have worked hard this 5 year and I have done my very best to support all of the 6 Units and Regions in the Ladies Auxiliary and I hope it 7 shows. Thanks to all of you. Respectfully submitted, 8 loyalty, protection, and service, Jean Smith, National 9 President. 10 (Applause). 11 NP SMITH: We are now ready for audit reports. 12 May we have the -- wait a minute. Before we do that, 13 for all of you who were at the luncheon, the National 14 project amount that was given, are you ready for this, 15 \$3,132. 16 (Applause). 17 NP SMITH: May we have the National Financial 18 Secretary's Audit Report? Where's the Audit Committee 19 for the National Financial Secretary. 20 NATIONAL CHAPLAIN NATHAN: National President, 21 Gale Nathan, Unit 269 Goose Creek, South Carolina, 22 Delegate. Madam National President, the books of the 23 National Financial Secretary have been audited and found 24 to be correct. I would also like to thank the members 25 that served on the committee, Marilyn Tharp, Trish</p>	<p>1 we -- 2 MS. JULIE KASENBURGER: I move that we accept 3 the audit that I just presented. 4 MS. GAIL DOLOWAY: Gail Doloway, Delegate Unit 5 90. Second. 6 NP SMITH: It's been moved and seconded that we 7 accept the Audit Report for the National Treasurer's 8 Audit Report. Is there any discussion? 9 All those in favor "aye." 10 GENERAL ASSEMBLY: Aye. 11 NP SMITH: Opposed? 12 Motion carried. 13 Do we have a time and place committee for a 14 report? We don't have. 15 NVP MURRAY: After lunch -- Christina Murray, 16 Unit 40 Delegate, National Vice President. After lunch 17 I was advised that the Shipmates accept a proposal from 18 the Fleet Reserve Association National Headquarters will 19 be hosting the 2019 Convention. More information on 20 that to follow. The 2020 Convention will be held in 21 Portland, Oregon. So don't get confused. 2019 we don't 22 know where we're going yet. 2020 Portland, Oregon. 23 NP SMITH: Thank you, Christina. 24 Okay. Before we go into elections, Karen 25 Brobst, do you have a final Credentials Report?</p>
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<p>1 Chilton, and Cacey Anderson. All members of Unit 269 2 Goose Creek, South Carolina. 3 Thank you, Madam National President. 4 NP SMITH: Thank you. You need to move that we 5 accept it. 6 NATIONAL CHAPLAIN NATHAN: I move that we accept 7 the National Financial Secretary's report. 8 NP SMITH: Do I have a second? 9 MS. KAREN BROBST: Karen Brobst, Unit 93 10 Delegate. I second. 11 NP SMITH: It's been moved by Gale Nathan and 12 seconded by Karen Brobst that we accept the National 13 Financial Secretary Audit's Report. Any discussion? 14 All those in favor say "aye." 15 GENERAL ASSEMBLY: Aye. 16 NP SMITH: Opposed? 17 Thank you very much. Motion carried. 18 May we have the National Treasurer's Audit 19 Report? 20 MS. JULIE KASENBURGER: Julie Kasenburger, Unit 21 163 Valley of the Sun Delegate and the Audit Committee 22 Report. The books are in order following Rules of the 23 Accounting Principles and there have been no other 24 transactions since the last audit. 25 NP SMITH: Thank you. You want to move that</p>	<p>1 MS. KAREN BROBST: Karen Brobst, Unit 93 2 Delegate. The Units represented by Delegates, 40, 4-0. 3 Units represented by proxy, 34. Units not registered, 4 2. Number of Delegates registered, 82. Registered 5 voting strength, 421, 421. Two-thirds majority, 281, 6 281. Majority, 210. Number of MAL, 2. Members, zero. 7 Honorary members, zero. Guests, zero. Units not 8 registered are 339, 346. And the disbanded 259, 37, 9 202 -- okay. I'm sorry. 259, 37, 202, 136, 159, 18, 10 44, 62. 11 MS. HELEN COURNEYA: No. No. 62 has been 12 suspended. 13 MS. SANDRA ROBBINS: And so is 44. 14 NP SMITH: Do you have anybody for 324? 15 MS. KAREN BROBST: I'll have to look and see 16 that. 17 NP SMITH: We don't have a Delegate sheet from 18 them? They should be on there, too. 19 MS. KAREN BROBST: Sorry. Okay. 20 MS. VERA THOMAS: Vera Thomas, Unit 126 21 Delegate. Unit 44 has been suspended. It has not been 22 disbanded. 23 NP SMITH: Are there any other corrections? 24 MS. HELEN COURNEYA: 62. 25 THE WITNESS: Madam President, Nadine Fulton,</p>

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<p>1 Delegate Unit 289. Unit 62 is not disbanded yet. We 2 only suspended them right now. 3 MS. SANDRA ROBBINS: Sandra Robbins, Unit 91 4 Delegate. Karen, the majority vote has to be half plus 5 one so it needs to be 212. 6 MS. KAREN BROBST: Okay. Thank you. 7 MS. SANDRA ROBBINS: The simple majority, 8 majority down about halfway. 9 NP SMITH: Are there any other corrections? All 10 right. Okay. Is there any other unfinished business? 11 We're now under new business. Do we have 12 anything under new business. 13 We'll now go -- 14 MS. LAURIE STARKEY: Madam National President, 15 Laurie Starkey, Past Regional President, Unit 118 16 Delegate. When did you want to do the Special Committee 17 Report from PCT. 18 NP SMITH: From what? 19 MS. LAURIE STARKEY: The Special Committee that 20 Carolyn Whitaker Past National President, Christina 21 Murray, and I about the PCT payment, when did you want 22 to do that? 23 NP SMITH: Okay. Are you ready to give that 24 report? 25 MS. LAURIE STARKEY: Yes, I am. It is the</p>	<p>1 that when, you know, the advice that I've received over 2 the years that it has to be to the Units by the 5th. I 3 don't know why that was a reason. The good thing about 4 it is that the checks that are received on the bank 5 by -- I deposit everything in before the 30th of the 6 month for the end of the month, so it is enough time 7 that it shows that it is a deposit for that particular 8 month. So this should be enough time for them to 9 determine whether it's cleared or not. 10 Again, I'm not in disagreement, but it does say 11 somewhere that it's the 5th. 12 NVP MURRAY: Christina Murray, Delegate Unit 40, 13 National Vice President. In the Standing Rules, 14 Standard Operating Procedures, the monthly report for 15 the month has to be to the National Officers by the 5th 16 of the month. But that's for the preceding month. So 17 when you're cutting off on the 25th and you're putting 18 the money in the bank, that -- the money that went on 19 to -- let me just use August as an example. When you 20 guys do the August report, the money that's reported for 21 PCT and for MAL was actually the money that the Units -- 22 the members mailed in in July. And so that is -- the 23 PCT is then being done and she's putting it in. I've 24 been doing NFS for the last three years and that's how 25 we've done it.</p>
<p>Page 22</p> <p>1 current practice for the National Treasurer to pay the 2 PCT to each Unit in the beginning of the month following 3 receipt of the dues for the previous month. There's not 4 being enough time to determine if the check will clear. 5 After reviewing Article 4, Section 401 and Article 8, 6 Section 810, which addresses dues payments and the 7 duties of the National Treasurer respectively and there 8 being no directive as to the specific date as to which 9 the National Treasurer is to pay the PCT to the Units. 10 It is the recommendation of the Special Committee that 11 the National Treasurer should wait until the 15th of 12 each month to pay the PCT to the Units. 13 I move that the Delegates adopt this 14 recommendation of the Special Committee. 15 MS. CAROLYN WHITAKER: Carolyn Whitaker, Unit 16 126 Delegate. I second. 17 NP SMITH: It's been moved by Laurie Starkey and 18 seconded by Carolyn Whitaker that the dues be held -- 19 dues payments be held until they have sufficient time to 20 clear the bank. Is there any discussion? 21 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: Cindy Rodham-Tuck, Unit 22 42 Delegate. I'm not going to argue because I know this 23 problem. But doesn't it say in the manual that it has 24 to be done by the 5th of the month because what -- I'm 25 just thinking of some of the Past National Presidents</p>	<p>Page 24</p> <p>1 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: Cindy Rodham-Tuck. Go 2 ahead, Christina, finish. 3 NVP MURRAY: So when the National Treasurer 4 transfers the money to the Units in the first week of 5 August, that was the money that members paid in July. 6 And that's what's showing up on the August report. That 7 report is due by the 5th of September for August to the 8 National Board. Those -- that has nothing to do with 9 when the National Treasurer pays. In the National 10 Treasurer's Manual and the Standing Rules and the C & 11 BLs, it just states that the National Treasurer will 12 process the PCT payments to the Units in a timely 13 fashion. There's no time limit set there. 14 So whether -- she's been sending it to the Units 15 usually between the 3rd and the 7th. However, you do 16 your report -- it's due to you by the 25th. You post 17 the money. It goes to the bank. Within seven days, she 18 can see whether or not the check is going to bounce. 19 But the letter hasn't been coming to her until about the 20 12th or the 15th day, so she has to have time to get the 21 letter so she knows whose check bounced, so she knows 22 which Unit to not send that \$10 to. The reason for that 23 is, some Units, if the check bounced, didn't return the 24 money back to National. So we want to not give you the 25 money until we know your due it. Simple.</p>

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<p>1 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: Cindy Rodham-Tuck. I'm 2 not arguing because I understand why it's being done. I 3 just wanted make sure there was no conflict. 4 NVP MURRAY: It's just a recommending that it's 5 no later than the 15th. So you have an idea as a Unit 6 that you know that if it hasn't arrived by the 15th, 7 it's going to be there at that time. But we want to 8 make sure the checks have all cleared before she 9 processes the money to you so you don't have to return 10 any money back to us. 11 NP SMITH: Is that clear as mud? Is there 12 further discussion? If not, all in favor "aye." 13 GENERAL ASSEMBLY: Aye. 14 NP SMITH: Opposed? 15 The motion carried. 16 Is there any other new business besides the 17 elections? 18 MS. CLAUDIA GOLDNER: Claudia Goldner, Delegate 19 Unit 163. Madam National President, if I may through 20 the chairs to Doris. Doris, are you still doing the 21 report checking to see who is past for the alpha 22 reports? Because when you do that and -- like we get 23 our alpha reports once a month, our membership may go 24 down two members and we never know why. So what I would 25 like to ask, if it's still going on, that if you do</p>	<p>1 does the same thing. She does Legacy, I think. 2 Especially with our Lifetime members because some of 3 these ladies -- we cannot assume, trust me, that 4 anybody's birthday that indicates they're 99 is 5 automatically dead because they're not. I talked to 6 them. She's talked to them. So do not make any 7 assumptions by looking at Diane Hoover's 1900, she's not 8 dead. So let's don't assume that she's born in 1900 9 that she's dead. But that's the thing. That was 10 strictly voluntary. Has nothing do with my job. 11 MS. SANDRA ROBBINS: She had a frown on her face 12 like what the heck is she talking about. 13 NES FRI: It's just something I've done. 14 MS. CLAUDIA GOLDNER: I understand that. But 15 what I'm asking is, if you could notify the Unit why 16 their membership went down without them knowing. 17 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: Cindy Rodham-Tuck, Unit 18 42 Delegate. If I receive a death notice -- 19 NES FRI: By whatever method. 20 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: By whatever method, I -- 21 if I receive something back in the mail and it comes 22 back "no current address" or "moved" and "person 23 unknown" or something like that, what I will do is go 24 online, again, if I have time, because again, that's not 25 part of the job. So I'll go online to either ancestry</p>
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<p>1 renew someone that you let the Unit know why. 2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It's the MSA. 3 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: Cindy Rodham-Tuck, Unit 4 42 Delegate. I'm sorry. I don't understand your 5 question. 6 NP SMITH: Can you not check with your report 7 the month before and find out who's not on there, 8 Claudia? 9 MS. CLAUDIA GOLDNER: No. What I'm asking is if 10 someone passes and they go -- if they die, okay, and 11 they go through the website to check to see 12 ancestry.com and they find out that a member has 13 passed, Doris, you explained this to me last year and if 14 the member has passed, they're removed from the alpha 15 list. But the Unit doesn't know why. 16 NES FRI: Doris Fri, National Executive 17 Secretary. Maintain contact, Cindy. Delegate Unit 161. 18 Okay. The thing that I do on the ancestry.com is 19 strictly voluntary. Has nothing do with the NES's 20 office. It was something we did -- I think we started 21 back when Helen was National Vice President and I still 22 do it. The Unit calls me and says, "We have this member 23 and she's elderly and her newsletters keep coming back." 24 And I will go and check for them and I will let them 25 know if I find and then I will let Cindy know. Cindy</p>	<p>1 or, like she said, Legacy, and if I find somebody -- but 2 that's again, this is one of the reasons the identifying 3 parts like the date of birth and stuff because if James 4 Smith and you've got 100 James Smith's and you have a 5 date of birth, what I do is a lot of times I'll Google 6 it and do James Smith, Springfield, Missouri. And 7 sometimes I've been fortunate enough to get that death 8 notice, so I'm going to be able to send it to the 9 National Chaplain, send it to the NES so that she can 10 put it in the Triangle, and send it to the Unit. But 11 it's -- I'm not -- we don't always have the time to do 12 it. So when I get the chance, I will do that. But -- 13 and Doris tells me and tells Chaplain and then we go 14 from there. 15 But if you ever have a question, by all means, 16 don't ever hesitate to call or e-mail me. Just remember 17 the time difference. 18 MS. CLAUDIA GOLDNER: Thank you. 19 NP SMITH: Cindy, does that not also come out on 20 their report? 21 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: As 53 it comes out on 22 your report. 23 NP SMITH: If they have a code 53 after their 24 name, that means they are deceased. 25 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: I think part of</p>

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<p>1 Claudia's question is probably so that they can do 2 something about it in terms of, you know, a sympathy 3 card or whatever. But here again, we don't always 4 get -- if I'm doing it that way, I'm not getting the 5 next of kin. So I don't necessarily know -- and if I've 6 already mailed it to Jane Doe and it comes back -- if it 7 comes back "undeliverable," who are you going to send 8 the sympathy card to, you know what I mean? I'm happy 9 to do it.</p> <p>10 NP SMITH: Okay. Elections are going to be -- 11 probably take up some time, so if you would like a potty 12 break, we're going to take about a 15-minute break. 13 (3 raps).</p> <p>14 NP SMITH: Madam National Chaplain, would you 15 close the Bible, please?</p> <p>16 NATIONAL CHAPLAIN NATHAN: Madam National 17 President, the Bible is closed.</p> <p>18 NP SMITH: Thank you, Gale. 19 (Brief recess.)</p> <p>20 NP SMITH: Sergeant at Arms, will you ask the 21 members into the room and close the doors, please?</p> <p>22 SERGEANT IN ARMS: Madam National President, the 23 members have been invited in and the doors are closed. 24 (3 raps).</p> <p>25 NP SMITH: Thank you, Tyler. National Chaplain</p>	<p>1 Resolved that the members of Chesapeake Unit 40 do 2 earnestly solicit the endorsement and support of each 3 Unit in the Auxiliary for the candidacy of Christina 4 Murray for the office of National President Ladies 5 Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for the 6 association 2018/2019.</p> <p>7 NP SMITH: Are there any other nominations for 8 National President? Are there any other nominations for 9 National President? Are there any other nominations for 10 National President?</p> <p>11 I declare the nomination for National President 12 closed.</p> <p>13 Okay. I declare the nominations closed and that 14 the National Executive Secretary cast one unanimous vote 15 for Christina Murray for National President. 16 (Applause).</p> <p>17 NES FRI: I, Doris Fri, National Executive 18 Secretary, cast one unanimous vote for Christina Murray 19 for National President 2018/2019. 20 (Applause).</p> <p>21 NP SMITH: Master at Arms, would you escort her 22 around the room, please? 23 SERGEANT AT ARMS: Sure. 24 (Clapping).</p> <p>25 NP SMITH: C & BL Section 804(d) states that the</p>
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<p>1 Gale, will you open the Bible, please?</p> <p>2 NATIONAL CHAPLAIN NATHAN: Madam National 3 President, the Bible is open.</p> <p>4 NP SMITH: Thank you.</p> <p>5 Your nomination sheets are on green in your 6 folder. And if the Nomination Chairman would just read 7 the Resolve only and we will now have the nomination for 8 National President.</p> <p>9 MS. BABE KILGORE: Is it me?</p> <p>10 NP SMITH: It's you.</p> <p>11 MS. BABE KILGORE: Surprise.</p> <p>12 NP SMITH: Who are you?</p> <p>13 MS. BABE KILGORE: Babe Kilgore, Unit 22 14 Delegate. Babe Kilgore, Unit 22 Delegate. Which one 15 are we doing first?</p> <p>16 NP SMITH: President, National President.</p> <p>17 MS. BABE KILGORE: Can I just read the Resolve?</p> <p>18 NP SMITH: Resolved.</p> <p>19 MS. BABE KILGORE: Resolved, that Chesapeake 20 Unit 40 at the regularly scheduled business meeting held 21 on December 7, 2017, a quorum being present by unanimous 22 vote, did vote to place the name of Christina Murray in 23 nomination for the office of National President of the 24 Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for 25 the association year 2018/2019; and be it further</p>	<p>1 National President-Elect shall present details of her 2 project to the Delegates for approval. If approved by 3 our delegates, then it will be proposed to the National 4 Board of Directors, Fleet Reserve Association for their 5 ratification.</p> <p>6 Christina, would you like to tell us what your 7 project is at this time?</p> <p>8 NVP MURRAY: Thank you, Madam National President 9 Jean.</p> <p>10 First I want to say how humbled I am to be 11 elected as the National President. That truly is a long 12 walk. Thank each and every one of you for your support 13 and I would like to continue the theme of "Honoring our 14 Heritage Forging the Future." Before I announce my 15 project, I would like to take a moment to reflect on our 16 Organization's Mission and how that will pertain to my 17 project.</p> <p>18 As a Veteran Service Auxiliary, our Mission is 19 to support the Fleet Reserve Association by providing 20 Social, Welfare, and Patriotic service to the Unit, 21 Branch, Region, and National Auxiliary as a whole and 22 most importantly, for and in our local communities. How 23 we each do this is different and depending on the 24 passion of the current members of your Unit, some of you 25 are very busy providing activities at the local Club or</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 33</p> <p>1 the Branch home. These events include dinners, bingo, 2 auctions, picnics, special events, dances, and other 3 family friendly entertainment. Others of you are busy 4 coordinating patriotic ceremonies, walking in parades, 5 laying wreaths, presenting flags, while others are 6 volunteering in the community and at the Veteran Service 7 Centers, nursing homes, schools, and youth programs, or 8 making donation to all of the above, things like school 9 supplies, Toys for Tots, books, magazines, donations to 10 clinics, clothing, toiletries, and food baskets for 11 those in need. Some of you make concerted effort to 12 keep veterans and their families abreast of the latest 13 legislation that can affect the benefits they work to 14 receive. Whatever your focus is and whatever your 15 passion is, I thank you for being here; and most 16 importantly, I thank each of you for helping to keep 17 this organization going.</p> <p>18 We have some work to do in the coming year to 19 ensure that we main relevant to our Congressional 20 Charter and relevant to the members and their families. 21 And while we retain and recruit new members we each have 22 an active role in this.</p> <p>23 Most of you know that I work every day at 24 Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Office. The National 25 organization provides over \$45 million of assistance</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 35</p> <p>1 yourself to regroup or provide a wounded Sailor, Marine, 2 or Coast Guardsman the opportunity to reconnect with 3 themselves and their family after a traumatic injury.</p> <p>4 Operation Purple Camps, Healing Adventure 5 Retreat is free to the camper. They are not asked to 6 pay for anything, only their transportation to get 7 there. The camps are open to children of Navy, Marine 8 Corps, Coast Guard, the National Guard, the Reserves, 9 the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration and 10 United States Public Health Service Commission Corps and 11 all of those do those deployments just like we did. 12 However, the priority is given to those children who 13 have had a parent who's been seriously wounded, ill, or 14 injured as part of their duty. Whether they were 15 medically retired, medically discharged, still on active 16 duty, or if they are Reservist, or if they have a parent 17 or their guardian who is going to be deployed during a 18 15-month cycle and they call it a deployment window. 19 The next deployment window is September 28, 2018 to 20 June 20, 2020. So this includes any child whose parent 21 is going to be on a pre-deployment, during the 22 deployment or post-deployment at any time during that 23 time frame. If the spaces are not filled by campers who 24 meet this criteria, any military child can apply for 25 these camp slots.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 34</p> <p>1 each year to over 60,000 service families and provides 2 over 25,000 visits to nurses by our nurses to our combat 3 casualty. And I could easily pick them to be my project 4 because of my office we distribute \$1.5 million every 5 year. However, when I read the National History Book of 6 our Past National Presidents, someone already chose 7 them. And so in keeping with social issues that need 8 our attention and to be inclusive of all members, I'm 9 asking you to support the project that I have chosen, 10 the National Military Family Operation Purple. See a 11 theme going, "purple."</p> <p>12 We're going to go from taking care of our older 13 members to looking at some of our most younger and most 14 vulnerable. I'm asking you to "Forge the Future and 15 Help to Send a Child to Camp or a Service Member Who's 16 Been Wounded in Combat."</p> <p>17 How many of you as a parent wished you had a 18 week or a long weekend away for your child to be with 19 other military children to learn how to cope with your 20 military life style, the deployments, the absences, the 21 missed holidays, or wished you could attend a weekend 22 retreat with your child to build a better bond before 23 that deployment or after the deployment? Or maybe you 24 were the military child and you remember those 25 deployments. Or maybe you just want a weekend for</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 36</p> <p>1 So do you know a service member returning from a 2 deployment, gearing up to deploy, or finding a new norm 3 after an injury, let Operation Purple Camp and Healing 4 Adventures help this service family forge a bond and 5 prepare to cope and build resiliency. When military 6 kids attend Operation Purple Camp they thrive in an 7 environment with fully trained counselors and camp staff 8 experienced to help the children adapt and overcome the 9 stressors of military life. They have all of the things 10 you think about as a normal going to summer camp 11 adventure, but they also have workshops that help them 12 learn to how to communicate with their parent while 13 they're deployed, how to communicate with their parent 14 who just came back. If a service member has been in the 15 hospital for a long traumatic injury, they help the 16 children learn how that injury is going to affect them 17 and how to be able to communicate how it affects them.</p> <p>18 Why is this important? You may be asking 19 yourself, why would I want to focus on this? Well, the 20 statistics show if the family supports the service 21 member, the military experience is positive. And if the 22 family learns resiliency skills after any of these 23 traumatic events or after deployment, the mental 24 well-being of the family before, during, and after 25 deployment reduces the likelihood of long-term mental</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 37</p> <p>1 health problems, divorce, and even suicide. I'm very 2 sad to hear that children of military service members 3 experience anxiety, and fear, and behavior issues and 4 are just as likely to commit suicide as their civilian 5 counterparts and actually the numbers are increasing. 6 Currently one child between the age of 10 and 24 years 7 old dies of a drug overdose or gunshot wound every five 8 days. That's a horrible statistics. However, our 9 military veterans who can go to the Healing Adventures 10 are averaging 20 suicides a day. One being active duty, 11 three being from the Guard or the Reserve, and 16 12 Veterans. The VA is currently focusing programs to 13 assist the Veterans in crisis and reduce these numbers. 14 But programs like Operation Purple Camp and Healing 15 Adventures is one of the few programs that helps to 16 focus on the child as well as the family. They will 17 even provide child care for those zero to four with 18 certified day-care professionals while the other 19 children and the adults enjoy the adventure and the 20 workshops so that they can build those new skills. 21 It costs National Military Family Association 22 \$650 per participant for the week long camper 23 experience, or \$350 for a weekend adventure. Not all 24 families are fortunate enough to live near an active Boy 25 Scout Or Girl Scout program and even those camping</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 39</p> <p>1 you to make online donations, which they will track and 2 give me a report monthly at www.militaryfamily.org. 3 There will be a donate button. When you hit the donate 4 button, it will ask you if this donation is in honor or 5 a tribute to anybody. You will place LAFRA National 6 President's Project or NP Project. Y'all don't have to 7 write it all down. I put it on the back of my business 8 cards and I will pass them out shortly. 9 So I move that you, the Delegates, accept my 10 2018/2019 National President's Project as Operation 11 Purple Camp and Healing Adventures. 12 NES FRI: Doris Fri, National Executive 13 Secretary. I second that. 14 NP SMITH: It's been moved by Christina Murray, 15 seconded by Doris Fri that we accept the President-Elect 16 Christina Murray's Project for the year. Any 17 discussion? All those in favor "aye." 18 GENERAL ASSEMBLY: Aye. 19 NP SMITH: Those opposed? 20 Motion carried. 21 (Applause). 22 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: Cindy Rodham-Tuck, Unit 23 42 Delegate, Treasurer of the Past National President's 24 Club. I would like to be the first to add to your 25 donation with a check from the PNP Club.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 38</p> <p>1 experiences range in price from \$275 to \$350 a week and 2 they do not include the military aspect of other kids 3 just like them whose parent is serving in the military. 4 In 2018 camps were held in multiple locations throughout 5 the Continental United States to include Alaska, 6 California, Connecticut, Texas, Oklahoma, Washington, 7 Virginia, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, 8 South Dakota, Colorado, Florida, West Virginia, and even 9 Hawaii. So you see, they're all over. There's some 10 near you. 11 The Operation Purple Camp and Healing Adventure 12 is free to the participant and it can only remain free 13 by donations from caring individuals and I hope you will 14 enjoy me to invest in the future of our youth and our 15 future Veterans and our current Veterans. My goal is to 16 hopefully send 100 children to camp or service members 17 to Healing Adventures. 18 Thank you for your time and let's make this a 19 year to remember. I want to know whether or not your 20 Youth Activity, Hospital and Welfare Report will say in 21 2019 -- I pray it says that we sponsored a child or a 22 service member or Veteran to attend Healing Adventures 23 or Operation Purple Camp. As well as you know, 24 donations are made payable LAFRA sent to the National 25 Financial Secretary, Pat Suckow, or I've arranged for</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 40</p> <p>1 (Applause). 2 NP SMITH: Nominating Chairman, would you please 3 read the Resolution for National Vice President, Bea 4 Parco? 5 MS BABE KILGORE: Resolve, the members of Unit 6 163, Valley of the Sun, at the regularly scheduled 7 meeting on Saturday, November 18, 2017, a quorum being 8 present voted unanimously to place the name of Beatrice 9 "Bea" Parco in nomination for the office of National 10 Vice President of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet 11 Reserve Association for the term -- for association year 12 2018 and 2019. That's not what this says. 13 Resolve, that Unit 163, Valley of the Sun, 14 earnestly solicit the endorsement and support of each 15 Unit of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve 16 Association for the candidacy of Beatrice "Bea" Parco 17 for the office of National President of the Ladies 18 Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association. 19 NP SMITH: Vice President. 20 MS. BABE KILGORE: The National Vice President. 21 That's what I was reading. What are you-all reading? 22 NP SMITH: Are there any further nominations for 23 National Vice President? Are there any further 24 nominations for National Vice President? Are there any 25 further nominations for National Vice President?</p>

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<p>1 With no further nominations, I declare 2 nominations closed for Vice President and that the NES 3 cast one unanimous vote for Bea Parco for National Vice 4 President. 5 NES FRI: I, Doris Fri, National Executive 6 Secretary, cast one unanimous vote for Beatrice "Bea" 7 Parco for the office of National Vice President 8 2018/2019. 9 (Applause). 10 NP SMITH: Master at Arms, let me get back to 11 you. Patsy, would you like to escort her around the 12 room since you're the Marshall. 13 (Clapping). 14 NP SMITH: Tyler, would you bring a chair up 15 here for her. National Vice President Bea Parco, would 16 you like to say a word? 17 MS. BEA PARCO: I want to say first thank you in 18 trusting into electing me into the office of National 19 Vice President. 20 My project is working with our Regional Vice 21 President in utilizing team leadership and coaching 22 principles via e-mail communications, phone calls, and 23 conference calling. I'm also going to continue the 24 Rooster pin awards issued for members that -- I know, 25 I'm kind of excited here. Not really. But we're going</p>	<p>1 the younger generation within our family, and people 2 around us. It is these motions that will either weaken 3 or strengthen a Unit and a Region. Our members are 4 volunteers and part of a group that brings services to 5 the Veteran community. Therefore, we need to focus on 6 positive energy, proactive action, and time toward the 7 greater good for our family, our Unit, our shipmates, 8 and our community. 9 The attitude I hold within my heart for the 10 Auxiliary, that we are one of many torch bearers of the 11 American Spirit. As we work with our community we hold 12 up that light of hope, gratitude, patriotism, and the 13 love of this country. We can no longer afford to have 14 conflict within our Unit and our Regional family; it is 15 weakening the arm that holds that torch. To build 16 membership and to retain membership, we all need to 17 FOCUS on who we are in helping each other, to help the 18 FRA and the community, as well as we need to close 19 chapters of those things that do not aid us personally 20 and/or our Auxiliary. We need to move forward with a 21 good attitude and have fun, can do that easily, while 22 holding our torch high with pride and allowing the light 23 of the torch strengthen us and attract new members to 24 our organization to hold the torch with us. 25 Each of you has the choice to let go of the past</p>
<p>Page 42</p> <p>1 to continue that. We still have 84 pins. Yeah, we 2 still have 84 Rooster pins for people that recruit or 3 bring in new members, two or more. Also to my 4 communications is I'll communicate as much as possible 5 via e-mail with MAL and treat them as one unit. 6 My focus with this group is to communicate with 7 as many as possible, again, like with one unit, but the 8 project -- my project title is called FOCUS: Family, 9 Organization, Community, Unconditional Love, and 10 Service. The primary foundation of this project is to 11 focus of the First Principle of the Ladies Auxiliary of 12 the Fleet Reserve Association from our initiation 13 ceremonies. 14 "The First Principle of the Ladies Auxiliary is 15 Loyalty. Your future happiness from this day on is our 16 concern as our members. You must be loyal to your flag, 17 to your country, to the community in which you live, and 18 to the members of this Auxiliary. Let no word or a deed 19 of yours cause any injuries to a person or a family of 20 any shipmate." 21 This is a powerful statement. If we do not 22 focus on this important principle, it will impact our 23 membership. Who we are and how we conduct ourselves in 24 our Unit or out in the community will impact the 25 emotions of potential and new members, existing members,</p>	<p>Page 44</p> <p>1 and work as a team to move forward by being focused on 2 the First Principle of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet 3 Reserve Association. Your choice is made by having a 4 keen sense of responsibility, being true Americans, and 5 bearing in mind the preamble the Fleet Reserve 6 Association. Membership strength starts with you. 7 Madam National President, I move that my 8 membership project be approved by the Delegates. 9 NP SMITH: Is there a second. 10 MS. BABE KILGORE: Babe Kilgore, Unit 22 11 Delegate. I second that. 12 NP SMITH: It has been moved by Bea Parco 13 National Vice President and seconded by Babe Kilgore 14 that her -- the National Vice President project be -- 15 that Bea Parco's project for this year be accepted. Is 16 there any discussion? All those in favor say "aye." 17 GENERAL ASSEMBLY: Aye. 18 NP SMITH: Opposed? 19 You're not done. I was asked what you are going 20 to wear next year? 21 MS. BEA PARCO: We need to wear clothes next 22 year. 23 (Laughter). 24 MS. BEA PARCO: I was asked what you're going to 25 wear next year. And, you know, in the way I would like</p>

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<p>1 to stay to tradition, but also to just go by what you 2 feel is correct for you and appropriate for the 3 organization. But we will -- any color you want. Long. 4 NP SMITH: I like her membership project FOCUS. 5 Thanks, Bea. 6 Would our committee person read out the 7 nomination for Linda Telly for National Treasurer. 8 MS. BABE KILGORE: Resolved, that Livermore Unit 9 287 at the regularly scheduled business meeting held on 10 November 3, 2017, a quorum being present, by majority 11 vote did place in nomination the name of Linda A. Telly 12 for the office of National Treasurer of the Ladies 13 Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for the year 14 2018/2021 and be it further, Resolved, that the members 15 of Livermore Unit 287 do earnestly solicit the 16 endorsement and support of each Unit in the Ladies 17 Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for the 18 candidacy of Linda A. Telly, for the office of National 19 Treasurer of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve 20 Association for the association year 2018/2021. 21 NP SMITH: Linda, where are you? Please stand 22 up. This is Linda Telly, our candidate for National 23 Treasurer. 24 Are there any further nominations for National 25 Treasurer? Are there any further nominations for</p>	<p>1 And I just want everybody to know that you can 2 call me any time. I have no problem with that. E-mails 3 are nice. They've already threatened to wake me up all 4 the time. I've done a lot of training so far with Bea. 5 We have a lot more to do. But I have a lot of support 6 from the National Board, so I know that I won't be 7 fumbling out there. I'll have these lovely ladies' 8 support and I know I can count on them. 9 Thank you so much. I really appreciate it and I 10 hope I live up to your expectations. 11 (Applause). 12 NP SMITH: Okay. Is there any other new 13 business to come before this Assembly? I thought we 14 were having somebody. If there's no further business to 15 come before this Assembly, we will proceed to the Good 16 of the Order. 17 MS. HELEN COURNEYA: Madam President, may I say 18 something? 19 NP SMITH: Certainly. Would you like to come to 20 the mike? 21 MS. HELEN COURNEYA: Okay. I think we need to 22 send someone over. They had roll call. 23 NP SMITH: Marshal, either one or both of you, 24 please come up. I need to ask you if you would go, just 25 one, to go next door and find out if they are -- new</p>
<p>Page 46</p> <p>1 National Treasurer? Are there any further nominations 2 for National Treasurer? 3 If there are no further nominations for the 4 office of National Treasurer, nominations are closed. 5 National Executive Secretary, would you please cast one 6 unanimous vote for Linda Telly for National Treasurer 7 2018/2021. 8 NES FRI: I, Doris Fri, National Executive 9 Secretary cast one unanimous vote for Linda A. Telly for 10 National Treasurer 2018/2021. 11 (Applause). 12 NP SMITH: Would our Sergeant At Arms please 13 parade her around the room. 14 (Clapping). 15 NP SMITH: Congratulations, Linda. Would you 16 like to say a few words. 17 MS. LINDA TELLY: First of all, I would like to 18 thank you for the honor of being National Treasurer for 19 the next three years. And I have been training with Bea 20 so I kind of know what is expected of me. I just hope I 21 can do it. I know I can do it. I will give you 22 100 percent and that's, you know -- I have a lot of 23 accounting background and so the major part of it is 24 just knowing accounting principals. So most of that I 25 have.</p>	<p>Page 48</p> <p>1 officers are ready for introduction. Just one of you. 2 We also need the names of Time and Place Committee. 3 Marshall, would you go out and see if you can catch 4 Tyler and tell him we also need the names of the Time 5 and Place. 6 MARSHALL: Fred Bolz said they were going to 7 make an announcement this afternoon over here about 8 that. 9 NP SMITH: Okay. All right. 10 MS. GIGI HERMES: Gigi Hermes, Delegate Unit 61, 11 Chula Vista, California. 12 Madam President, could you please join me down 13 here? 14 NP SMITH: Christina. 15 MS. GIGI HERMES: And Sergeant At Arms or 16 Marshall, could you please escort D. Loretta Roberts and 17 Shirley Ferrill, both of Unit 61, to join me? 18 On behalf of Unit 61, we would like to present 19 to these two members each their 45-year pins. 20 (Applause). 21 MS. GIGI HERMES: Thank you, Madam President. 22 SERGEANT AT ARMS MALGRAM: Madam National 23 President, are the new officers ready to head over? 24 NP SMITH: Are y'all ready? 25 NVP MURRAY: Yes.</p>

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<p>1 SERGEANT AT ARMS MALGRAM: Madam National 2 President, Tyler Malgram, Unit 194 Delegate. Their 3 explanation as to why we're going first is they have not 4 even finished tallying the first vote for the first 5 ballot of National Vice President. 6 NP SMITH: They cannot receive or anyone go out 7 during elections. 8 SERGEANT AT ARMS MALGRAM: The National 9 President has asked us to come over. That is all I have 10 been told. They are in recess while they tally votes is 11 all I know. 12 NP SMITH: They can't do that. 13 JUNIOR MASTER OF ARMS: Junior Master At Arms, 14 Fleet Reserve, Vice President South-Central Branch 201. 15 We -- it's an unusual election. We have three 16 individuals. We have two voting statuses that we have 17 to go through. The first stage is complete. While 18 they're tallying to see who the next two will be running 19 against each other, then we'll have the second one. But 20 we will be honored if you ladies would please -- 21 Auxiliary, my apologies -- the Auxiliary would come at 22 this time. 23 NVP MURRAY: We'll go. 24 NP SMITH: Bea and Linda and Christina, if you 25 would like to.</p>	<p>1 the moment I walked back in this room, the first thing I 2 opened up, there was the envelope. So you know I really 3 looked hard. 4 But Past National President Pat Garwood was not 5 able to attend. And I'm going to -- I want y'all to 6 keep her in your prayers. She has been asked by the 7 doctor not to be in crowds. Well, I don't think we're a 8 crowd. But she's trying to follow the doctor's orders. 9 So she was unable to come out here. But she wanted me 10 to present this to you in -- for your project in memory 11 of her husband, Jim Garwood, who was an Alzheimer's and 12 everything because it was a project that was very close 13 to her heart. And she appreciates you bringing it to 14 the forefront. 15 NP SMITH: Thank you. Would you please tell her 16 how much she's loved and that all our prayers are sent 17 to her and we wish she were here. 18 MS. SANDRA ROBBINS: I will. 19 MS. HELEN COURNEYA: As you can all see, I'm 20 just slowly moving off this stage. I'm -- they just 21 keep pushing me off. But pretty soon I'll be off. But 22 I did want to say -- I'm Junior Past National President 23 Helen Courneya, Unit 274 Delegate. 24 I just want to say thank you for the last few 25 years. It's been very rewarding. There's been some</p>
<p>Page 50</p> <p>1 We are just excusing them. We are not closing 2 the Bible. We are under the Good of the Order. 3 NES FRI: Doris Fri, National Executive 4 Secretary, Unit 161 Delegate. I would just like to say 5 to this lady with the purple hair, it has been an honor 6 to work you this year. Since you've been where I am, we 7 had a much better understanding of what we were each 8 doing. 9 NP SMITH: And I aggravated her to death. 10 NES FRI: And I have called her up to four times 11 in one day and she answers the phone and I say, "It's me 12 again, Margaret." But she's always there and we've had 13 a very good working relationship. And enjoy your time 14 off. Give Bobby a break. 15 NP SMITH: I know, Bobby is so excited. Thank 16 you. 17 Okay. Anyone else? 18 MS. SANDRA ROBBINS: Sandra Robbins, Unit 91. 19 I'm trying to remember where I'm at. At lunchtime -- by 20 the time it got to be lunchtime, I was so engrossed in 21 what was going on here I went to find the card that I 22 was supposed to present at lunch for someone and, how 23 many of you have had those senior moments, you know it's 24 there and it's got to be in your stuff. Well, of 25 course, I couldn't find it before we went to lunch. But</p>	<p>Page 52</p> <p>1 hard times, but we muffled through it. So I just want 2 to say thank you to everyone. I will continue to 3 support the Auxiliary in the future. So I wish all the 4 new officers good luck in the future. And, Jean, I 5 can't wait to give you this hat tomorrow. I did come 6 forward this Convention because I knew I was going out. 7 I normally will not wear the hat, but I've done it and 8 I'm done. 9 I do want to say something about the banquet 10 tomorrow. All the tickets are gone. We have no more 11 tickets for the Convention dinner. I hope you guys have 12 had a wonderful time here in San Antonio. 13 (Applause). 14 MS. HELEN COURNEYA: The committee, you know, 15 came out here in February. We worked hard to get what 16 we wanted and I think and I hope that you-all had a good 17 time. Thank you. 18 (Applause). 19 MS. LORETTA ROBERTS: Madam National President, 20 as stated I received my 45-year pin. 21 GENERAL ASSEMBLY: Who are you? 22 MS. LORETTA ROBERTS: I'm D. Loretta Roberts, 23 Unit 61 Delegate and a Past National President. I 24 should have known better. 25 But anyway, this is the first National</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 53</p> <p>1 Convention in I don't know how many years that we 2 finished before the men on elections, we got to go over 3 to introduce our new officers because a lot of times 4 they were finished a day ahead of us and we never got to 5 go back and forth. This is the first time in I don't 6 know how many years that we've got to do this. 7 Thank you. 8 MS. NADINE FULTON: Nadine Fulton, Unit 289 9 Delegate, Regional President Southwest. I want to thank 10 you, Jean, for allowing me to be on your Board this 11 year. It's been a wonderful year. Thank you. 12 I have a suggestion. I wonder if we might be 13 able to publish the Unit Report Winner's Reports 14 somewhere either on the website or in the Triangle so 15 that other Units can see exactly what they're doing and 16 we could follow their lead. 17 NP SMITH: As a former NES, they will be in the 18 Triangle. 19 MS. NADINE FULTON: Thank you so much. 20 MS. SHIRLEY VATTER: Shirley Vatter, Unit 93 21 Delegate. It's great to see everyone here again at 22 National Convention. Congratulations to the incoming 23 officers. 24 Regional President Pat Suckow, how many more 25 days? One more day. I'm looking forward to being a</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 55</p> <p>1 comment page in the back with the date and the changes 2 to the Sections and Articles in the Standing Rules and 3 have it that way as opposed to trying to add more 4 information to a page and maybe having that page scroll 5 down because I've got to go through now and renumber the 6 pages in the index. So that's going to be a job. 7 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: That's -- whatever. 8 It's just that I find that sometimes that your -- 9 because we don't have any up-to-date printed ones that 10 we all received 10 years ago in the mail, you know, 11 if you are researching through that because you don't 12 have your computer available and something has changed, 13 then you're spouting or you're quoting what Constitution 14 and Bylaws say when it isn't the up-to-date copy. So if 15 there's some kind of reference as to what's been changed 16 when, letting you know that that's happening. 17 NP SMITH: Yeah, because if you're as silly as I 18 am and you lay them both down together, you don't know 19 which came first. 20 MS. BABE KILGORE: Babe Kilgore, Unit 22 21 Delegate. 22 National President Jean Smith, I want to thank 23 you for letting me know last month that I was in your 24 Nomination Committee. And I just wanted to thank 25 everyone and this may or may not be our last Convention.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 54</p> <p>1 Junior Past, although I have thoroughly enjoyed it. And 2 I also want to mention I see several people wearing red 3 today. Do you know the significance of red on Friday? 4 GENERAL ASSEMBLY: Yes. 5 MS. SHIRLEY VATTER: "Remember Everyone 6 Deployed." Please wear red on Fridays. Thank you very 7 much and have a safe trip home. 8 NP SMITH: You may ask my husband Bobby how many 9 days are left and he will give you an answer 10 immediately. 11 MS. CINDY RODHAM-TUCK: Cindy Rodham Tuck, Unit 12 42 Delegate. Jean, it's been a pleasure working for you 13 this year. I enjoy our phone calls that I would call 14 her up and I'd say, "This is not going to be a marathon 15 phone call," and four and a half hours later we saw -- 16 exactly, one more thing, oh, Jean, one more thing. 17 I would like to make a recommendation, if 18 possible. When does C & BL whatever was done today or 19 this week, that there be a date put next to any changes 20 so that it's in there that such and such change happened 21 at this Convention and then we know that it happened. 22 MS. CLAUDIA GOLDNER: Having worked on the 23 Constitution and Bylaws, we thought about that because 24 it was brought up years ago to put down the date of the 25 change. But I wonder if it would be better to have a</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 56</p> <p>1 It will all depend where it's at. It's getting harder 2 for my husband, PNP Mark Kilgore, to do a long travel. 3 So if you don't see us, don't think we're not thinking 4 of you. We are. And I just wanted to say thanks. 5 NP SMITH: Thank you. We are keeping him in our 6 prayers and we're sending much love and much prayers 7 y'all's way. 8 Are we going to have the -- the changes, are 9 they ready to go over to the -- 10 MS. BABE KILGORE: One more thing, 11 congratulations to all the newly elected officers. 12 NVP MURRAY: I would just like to report that we 13 were very well received by the Shipmates and they are 14 diligently still counting. 15 I do have my business cards to hand out for 16 those of you who aren't staying around for tomorrow. 17 And also in the back, Tyler has a box with some items 18 if you would like to donate to my project. If you 19 donate \$5 or more you can get a luggage tag and if you 20 donate a dollar or more you can reach in the bag and get 21 something out of the bag that was sent to me to get the 22 project started. Thank you. 23 MS. ELAINE SMITH: Madam President, I wanted to 24 say you've done a wonderful job and we love you. I do 25 have one thing back in the back that's part of someone's</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 57</p> <p>1 earring it looks like. So check your ears. It's a 2 round gold thing. 3 NP SMITH: Is there anyone else? 4 MS. DOREEN HUYLEBROECK: Madam National 5 President, Doreen Huylebroeck, Unit 181 Past National 6 President. I would also like to congratulate the 7 incoming officers. And, Jean, you did a great job at 8 this Convention. The Committee did a great job also. 9 Thank you for a fun time. 10 I would like to present a check for Christina's 11 project from the Past Regional President's Club. Thank 12 you very much. 13 MS. KATHERINE BEARDEN: Kathy Bearden, Unit 24 14 Annapolis. I would just like to thank all of the 15 outgoing officers. You've had a good year and the 16 Convention has been a lot of fun and well organized. 17 And Jean, I really like your color coordination. And to 18 welcome all the new officers because you have a year 19 ahead of you and it's a lot of work, but I'm sure a lot 20 of you will -- you will all enjoy your year. 21 NP SMITH: Thank you. 22 MS. DOREEN HUYLEBROECK: Again, Doreen 23 Huylebroeck, but I proudly will be the Installing 24 Officer for Christina and the other officers tomorrow 25 night. Could we -- there is a rehearsal at 10:00 a.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 59</p> <p>1 say A and B, but they're in the four/five of the long 2 section over there. 3 NP SMITH: At what time tomorrow? 4 MS. PAT BOUDREAUX: 4:00. It's in Grand Ball 5 Room F and G at 4:00. 6 MS. SANDRA ROBBINS: That filled up my bag here. 7 MS. PAT BOUDREAUX: Now you know why I keep my 8 name a secret. I do not need this help. I may be 5'2", 9 but I'm mighty. Okay. F and G in the Grand Ball Room, 10 that's down there. Now depends on which end of the pen 11 you're looking at. See, I'm safe. I got the floor end 12 and I got this end. So anyway. Installation is at 6:00 13 here. And then dinner and dance is across the way. And 14 we hope y'all enjoy it. And I want to thank Pat for 15 the beautiful centerpieces. They're fantastic. Thank 16 you, Pat. 17 NP SMITH: The pictures were at 4:00. Okay. I 18 have something I want to show you. You have to look 19 closely. It says the bullshit bag. Well, I'm just 20 reading the bag. And I think I got it full. 21 Okay. Is there anyone else? If not, we're 22 going to proceed to close. 23 MS. MARION HOFFMAN: I forgot my translator. 24 This is my first Convention and I was actually scared to 25 death to come here. But this was amazing. And I just</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 58</p> <p>1 tomorrow. Could we meet at 9:00 and do a prerehearsal 2 for the rehearsal? It really will work better that way. 3 So the incoming and outgoing officers and if you can 4 grab your hat presenters to come in. We can use this 5 room. Okay. Thank you. Tomorrow morning at 9:00. 6 NP SMITH: Is there any announcements or can we 7 hear from the Convention Chair about any announcements? 8 Where is she? There she is. 9 MS. PAT BOUDREAUX: This is it, Ladies. Thank 10 goodness. I hope you all had a good time. 11 GENERAL ASSEMBLY: Who are you? 12 MS. PAT BOUDREAUX: I'm not letting that out. 13 That's my secret. Weather has been great for us. And I 14 sure hope y'all have had a good time. We've had a good 15 time putting it on. I want to thank Helen and Cindy. 16 They have been my backbone and we've just really had a 17 ball putting it on. It's been hard work, but we've 18 enjoyed it. And don't forget, Installations in this 19 room tomorrow. The dinner/dance is across. We've got 20 all of that whole section there. So -- and I'm sorry to 21 say, if you do not have your dinner ticket, you don't 22 get to eat because we are out -- I mean, we have reached 23 the max. 24 NP SMITH: The pictures where? 25 MS. PAT BOUDREAUX: Pictures is in -- I want to</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 60</p> <p>1 want to thank everyone for being nice. 2 GENERAL ASSEMBLY: Say your name. Thank you. 3 Say your name. 4 MS. MARION HOFFMAN: Marion Hoffman, Unit 162. 5 And I just want to say thank you because I believe I was 6 very apprehensive coming here for my first Convention, 7 but this was like really, really fun. So thank you. 8 NP SMITH: For all my Regional Presidents and 9 Committee Chairs and Committee People, there are gift 10 bags in the corner up here and Patsy will hand them out 11 to you when you come up. Do I have to explain what it 12 is? These girls don't know what they are? So I'm going 13 to have to explain to you. It's a bowel cozy. My most 14 favorite thing in the world is ice cream and I when I 15 take my bowl and fill it with ice cream and go to the TV 16 my hand freezes. So I put my bowl in my bowl cozy and 17 it keeps the ice cream hard and my hand warm. Yes. You 18 can use it for hot bowls, soup as well. Okay. Okay. 19 If there's no further business to come before 20 this Assembly, we will proceed to recess until 21 Installation of Officers. 22 (3 raps). 23 NP SMITH: Madam Chaplain, will you close the 24 Bible? 25 NATIONAL CHAPLAIN NATHAN: Madam National</p>

<p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 61</p> <p>President, the Bible is closed. (Applause). NP SMITH: Marshall and -- we only have one. Marshall, would you affirm the colors? Salute. SERGEANT AT ARMS MALGRAM: Salute. NP SMITH: Thank you. We stand in recess until installation of officers at 6:00 p.m. in the La Joya Room. Photos will be taken at -- from 4:00 to 6:00 in the Grand Ball Room. (Convention adjourned.)</p>	
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