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Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs

October 5, 2023

The Honorable Matthew Jewell
President, St. Charles Parish Council
P.O. Box 302
Hahnville, LA 70057

Dear President Jewell,

As another fiscal year draws to an end, we are excited to share the results of our efforts to serve the 2,596 veterans and their families living in your community. With your support, our Veterans Assistance Counselors helped to bring in over \$15,305,000 in Compensation and Pension benefits from the US Department of Veterans Affairs to your parish.

We look forward to continuing our partnership in the new fiscal year and have attached updated Cooperative Endeavor Agreements (CEA) for January 1, 2024, to December 31, 2024, for your review and signature. In addition, we have included an explanation of how the requested contribution amount was determined.

Please sign the agreements as soon as you are able and return it to us either by email or mail. We will send an executed original to your office.

If you have any questions or concerns, I can be reached in my office at (225) 219-5008 or by email at earnest.buckner.jr@la.gov.

Once again, LDVA thanks you for your unwavering commitment to Louisiana's veterans, and we look forward to working with you to serve those who have done so much for us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Earnest Buckner Jr.".

Earnest Buckner Jr.
Deputy Assistant Secretary, Benefits