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To all the Sisters that attended the 127<sup>th</sup> National Encampment in Brookfield, WI. I extend my appreciation for the confidence you have in me to lead this great organization. I am humbled and honored by your support and faith. I will work hard to serve you and the organization efficiently and diligently.

The Department of Wisconsin deserves and receives our gratitude for a wonderful encampment. You did a great job Sisters and Brothers.

I send my congratulations to Ladies of the Grand Army President, Judith Rock, Daughters of Union Veterans 1861-1865 President Carol Morton, and Woman's Relief Corp. President Shirley Grant. I look forward to working with these great ladies in the coming year and learning "the ropes" as it is their second year in term.

To my Commander-in-Chief Ken Freshley, not only do I congratulate you on your election, I look forward to serving with you to re-enforce our goals, to bring friendship, camaraderie and respect back to the Allied Orders. Sir, we are your auxiliary, and we are ready to help the SUVCW in attaining their goals for the Boys in Blue.

National Headquarters for the Auxiliary President is now located at the above address or in my car. My cell phone (Verizon), as well as my home phone, are at the top; please feel free to use them both. Both my personal e-mail and that of <u>NationalPresident@asuvcw.org</u> will reach me. All questions (even rumors) should be addressed to me directly. I promise to be as open and forthcoming with information as possible. I will hide nothing from our membership. I will listen to all and seek council from others in decision making. I will try to be fair while keeping "the good of the order" in mind.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty

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