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The Honorable Ralph S. Northam
Governor, Commonwealth of Virginia
Richmond, VA 23219

The Honorable Kathleen T. Jabs
Acting Secretary of Veterans and Defense Affairs
Richmond, VA 23219

The Honorable Eileen D. Filler-Corn
Speaker of the Virginia House of Delegates
Richmond, Virginia 23219

The Honorable L. Louise Lucas
President Pro Tempore, Senate of Virginia
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Annual report on the Virginia Department of Veterans Services (VDVS) – Virginia Veteran and Family Support (VVFS) Program

Dear Governor Northam, Secretary Jabs, Delegate Filler-Corn, and Senator Lucas:

The Virginia Department of Veterans Services (VDVS) – Virginia Veteran and Family Support (VVFS) program provides outreach, connection, and support to veterans, members of the National Guard and Reserves, and their families. VVFS addresses the challenges of military and post-military service, transition, deployments, Post Traumatic Stress, and other behavioral health concerns, as well as Traumatic Brain Injuries and other physical injuries

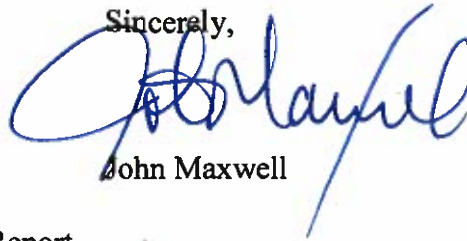
VDVS operates VVFS in conjunction with the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) and the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DARS). Other state agencies, such as the Department of Military Affairs (DMA), the Department of Social Services (DSS), and the Virginia Department of Health (VDH), are vital partners, as are the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Virginia's Community Services Boards (CSBs), homeless Continuums of Care (CoC), and organizations such as the Virginia Hospital & Healthcare Association (VHHA).

The Code of Virginia, §2.2-2001.1(D) directs that VDVS report annually program results to the Governor, Secretary of Veterans and Defense Affairs, and the General Assembly. The attached pages provide that information for your review.

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VDVS is grateful for your support and we look forward to addressing any questions and concerns.

Sincerely,



John Maxwell

Attachment: VVFS 2021 Annual Report

Cc: Ms. Alison G. Land, Commissioner, DBHDS
Ms. Kathryn A. Hayfield, Commissioner, DARS
Mr. Michael Dick, Chairman, Board of Veterans Services
Ms. Denice Williams, Acting Chairman, Joint Leadership Council of Veterans Service Organizations