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NATIONAL ADJUTANT

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John F. Collins, Commander
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Dear Commander Collins:

It is my sincere honor to congratulate you on reaching an amazing landmark—your 50th year of service on behalf of disabled veterans and their families. When the charter application was received two-quarters of a century ago, your first members could not have predicted the fellowship and hope their efforts would produce over these many years. Nor could they have known the many lives your leaders and members would impact through service in your community.

In reviewing those documents from 1972 that led to the establishment of your chapter, we thought of the leaders whose work led to its initiation. The chapter charter was submitted and then signed by National Adjutant Denvel D. Adams and National Commander Jack O. Hicks, both of whom served during very challenging times of war.

Your charter members were veterans who continued the fight for disabled veterans and their families. The esprit de corps of veterans fighting on behalf of veterans that led to DAV's formation and the establishment of your chapter is alive today in your service and leadership. It will live on through the progress we've made on behalf of our causes these many years.

Little did those thoughtful veterans know how important your chapter would be in the coming years as so many young men and women returned from service in conflicts around the world and needed the lifeline of support and advocacy you provided. Nor could they comprehend how strong Beddngfld-Shytle #14 would become. Today you stand as a beacon of support for veterans of all generations as you welcome home yet another era of young men and women who need our help.

Under your leadership, and with the complement of many officers past and present, Beddngfld-Shytle #14 has developed a national reputation for active and vocal advocacy on behalf of your fellow veterans. You should be proud of this milestone and you should be proud of your accomplishments and commitment to excellence.

Congratulations on this remarkable occasion. Please extend our sincerest regards and appreciation to Department Commander Grethel Humphrey Department Adjutant Janice N. Weathers and all who share in your celebration of 50 years of dedicated service and advocacy.

Sincerely,
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Barry A. Jesinoski', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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