

**What Now? Who are We? Have We lost Our Identity? Where do we stand as an Organization? Have we become a new Organization called the Vietnam Veterans Of America Legacy Society or are we still the Vietnam Veterans Of America? These are only some of the questions that we all were asking prior to the 22<sup>nd</sup> National VVA Convention of August 5<sup>th</sup> thru 9<sup>th</sup> 2025.**

**Prior to the Convention, it looked like Our National Leadership had already determined that we were too old, losing Membership annually and unable to function as an Organization due to our lack of desire to continue on our own. So the thought process was to dissolve and reincorporate by adding the Auxiliary Of The Vietnam Veterans Of America as a Co-Partner and rename Ourselves as the Vietnam Veterans Of America Legacy Society!!**

**After the death of Our Beloved State Council President, Sam Brick on July 19, 2025, being next in line to succeed him as State Council President, I was placed on the email trail list for emails from not only All State Council Presidents across the US, but began receiving emails from some of the Regional Directors as well. It became very evident from the emails I was receiving, that there was a lot of feed back from State Council Presidents/Regional Directors that the majority of all were not ready to “give” up Our beloved Organization.**

**On the morning of the first day of the Convention, August 6, 2025 @ 08:30, 752 Delegates were sitting in their seats by States ready to determine the fate of The VVA!! Without going into great detail, by the end of the second day, August 7<sup>th</sup>, after “MUCH” debate and discussion, by vote of the majority of the delegates in attendance that we would remain the Vietnam Veterans Of America, with “NO” changes to Our structure. The delegates determined that at Our next Convention in 2027 in the DC area, that another look would be taken as to the future of the VVA. In the meantime, National Leadership, At Large Board Of Directors and the Regional Directors would further their discussion on Our Fate.**

**I would like to take a moment and thank the following State Council Board Members for their help and support in picking up the pieces and continuing the work that needed to be done after Sam left. This is not a one man show, through their tireless help in just two months, we were able to continue to move forward.**

**First Vice President Charlie Davies, Secretary Zeke Cervantez, Treasurer Jay Reynolds, Chaplain Davey Hare and all the Delegates of the ten (10) Chapters across the State Of South Carolina. As your Leadership for the VVA South Carolina State Council, we pledge to you that we have your backs and will make decisions in the best interest of “ALL VETERANS.”**

**Semper Fi  
Larry Miller  
President**