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Transient Occupancy Tax Committee
El Dorado County Veterans Services Commission
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Dear Veterans Affairs Commissioners and TOT Committee Members,

On behalf of the Military Family Support Group, I would like to express our sincere appreciation for your continued and generous annual grant support. Your funding has directly enabled us to assist local veterans and their families during times of financial hardship, ensuring they have access to essential resources and support.

In recent years, rising costs for necessities such as housing, utilities, medical supplies, and groceries have significantly increased the demand for our services. We are seeing more veterans seeking assistance, and the cost of meeting those needs has grown accordingly. At the same time, we are working to expand critical programs, including our mobility equipment assistance, transportation and food distribution efforts, to better serve veterans with limited income and physical challenges.

To continue providing effective support and to responsibly meet this growing demand, we respectfully request an increase in our annual grant funding. Currently, we receive \$8,000 per year. We ask that you consider increasing this amount to \$12,000 per grant cycle. This increase would allow us to serve more veterans, expand essential programs, and ensure that no veteran or family is turned away due to limited resources.

We are committed to using all grant funds efficiently and transparently to maximize their impact within our veteran community. If requested, I would be pleased to attend a TOT Committee meeting to provide additional details regarding our programs and our plans for the use of increased funding.

Thank you for your continued support and for your dedication to improving the lives of veterans and their families in our community. We truly value your partnership.

Respectfully,

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