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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

MEMO

DATE: August 14, 2023

TO: National Officers
National District Council Members
Department Secretaries

Past National Presidents
Department Presidents
Department Treasurers

FROM: Ann Panteleakos, National Secretary-Treasurer

SUBJECT: Clarification on accepting PayPal and Venmo

Recently National Headquarters has received many inquiries about the use of Venmo and PayPal to accept payments. The Bylaws specifically state in section 810A, 1st open bullet and section 813A, 8th open bullet: *"An Auxiliary may vote to accept payment by credit and/or debit card."* PayPal and Venmo are on-line payment systems and/or are considered to be a digital wallets. Since they do not fall into the category of debit and/or credit cards, they will not be allowed at this time.

However, this does not preclude any Auxiliary and/or Department from submitting a resolution to have this section changed. This resolution would then be voted on during next year's National Convention.

Please keep in mind that whatever is voted on will need to be audited. Be sure that the system/systems you put in the resolution has the ability to print a detailed dated report. [Please review Resolutions in the Bylaws and in Building on the VFW Auxiliary Foundation.]

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