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SUBJECT: 2023 Memorial Day Observations

In preparation for the upcoming Memorial Day observances nationwide, DAV is once again providing resources and materials to support your efforts in your local communities.

DAV remains committed to ensuring that those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their country are recognized and remembered on this special day. You can use the suggested remarks we have drafted as a way to keep the memories of our fallen alive. Feel free to alter the contents as you see fit.

In addition to remarks, DAV also provides a sample Memorial Day op-ed. This article is a great resource to spread the message of Memorial Day's meaning to a broader audience through local print and online news outlets. Please note during the submission process that similar placements may be used elsewhere.

Like the speech, the article can be used as-is. But you're encouraged to customize it by including the names of veterans in your local community. Submission instructions and guidelines are typically available on each publication's website. For any questions or to share your published op-ed with us, please email Kevin Miller at kmiller@dav.org.

I encourage those of you who can to use this opportunity to share about the sacrifices of our fallen brothers- and sisters-in-arms. Please share your participation within your networks and social media to amplify your Memorial Day observation efforts.

Thank you for representing DAV and highlighting the service and sacrifice of our fallen service members.

With appreciation for your efforts,

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