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Hello Unit Presidents, Department Officers and Department Program Chairs

As you may know, due to a recent illness, Ginny Brazil has stepped down from her position as your Department Constitution and Bylaws Chair. In Ginny's absence, Myrna Ronholm, Department President formed a committee to review the current Department Constitution and Bylaws document. These changes were precipitated by actions taken by the National organization at the 2019 National Convention.

I was appointed chairman of the committee and served with Judy Twete, Past Department President, Tammy Ryberg, NEC, Marlene Simundson, Past District 2 President, Sharon White Bear, Department Vice President, and Marcy Schmidt, Department Secretary. Together we reviewed the document carefully and discussed by email and phone calls the proposed revisions you will note in the enclosed document.

After several reviews and many discussions, we created a table with the proposed revisions. The table has three columns:

- ★ The left column is how document currently reads
- ★ The second column, phrases and words in blue lettering are the recommended revisions
- ★ The third column shows how the document will read after it is approved at the 2020 Department Convention to be held in Minot in June.

I've asked the Department Office to mail this document in a 'special' unit packet, so it receives the attention it deserves. I encourage you to please review the document with your unit officers and members as soon as possible because it will need to be approved by the attendees at the Department Convention in June.

Upon approval of the revised Department Constitution, all units will be required to review and revise their unit constitutions as well.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me by phone, email, or by postal service.

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Yours Truly,

Diane Kraemer, Constitution and Bylaws Chairman