To all Region 6 Delegates and AVVA members:

My name is Pat Furno and I am running for the Deputy Region 6 Director in the AVVA Elections to be held in Orlando this coming August.

I have been involved with VVA since 1987, and was representing Wisconsin's Associates at the first meeting in Orlando in 1999 when AVVA was formed. Since then, I have served on all levels of AVVA from Chapter Associate to Region 6 Director. Currently I am Wisconsin's AVVA Representative and an Associate Member of Chapter 635, Oconomowoc, which celebrated it's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2022.

Region 6 has many active, loyal, and engaged AVVA members and it is important that their voices be represented at the state and national levels. I would like to assist in encouraging Associates in all our states to step up and serve as Chapter and State Representatives.

As Vietnam Veterans of America begins making decisions regarding it's future, we, as Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America, must stand ready to help our veterans in any way that we can while continuing to promote our own mission. The end of an era is approaching and our organization must be ready to step up and help all veterans while maintaining the values and goals that began with VVA and must carry into the future.

I would very much like to serve as your Region 6 Deputy Director, and would be honored and grateful to receive your vote in Orlando.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have.

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