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DAV Auxiliary Elects Kay Egan National Commander

DENVER— Pledging continued dedication to the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) and Auxiliary mission of building better lives for America's disabled veterans and their families, Kay Egan, of Lehigh Acres, Fla., was elected National Commander of the quarter-million-member DAV Auxiliary at the 88th National Convention of the DAV and Auxiliary in Denver today.

Commander Egan joined the Auxiliary in 1987. Her membership eligibility is through her late husband, Bill, a World War II Navy Air Corps veteran. She is a life member of Auxiliary Unit 94 in Lehigh Acres.

During her 22 years as an Auxiliary member, Commander Egan has held all the elected Unit and district offices and is currently State Executive Committeewoman for her Unit.

Within the State Department of Florida, Commander Egan served two terms as Department Adjutant and all elected officer positions, including State Department Commander in 2000. She has also served as a member of the State Finance Committee and as Chairman of the State Fund Raising Committee. She also held chairmanships for the Americanism, Community Service, Legislation and State Standing Rules Committees.

Commander Egan was appointed National Executive Committeewoman for her District in 2001 and National History Chairman in 2003. At the 2004 National Convention in Reno, Nev., she was elected National 3rd Junior Vice Commander. She served two terms as 2nd Jr. Vice Commander in 2005 and 2006; was elected 1st Junior Vice Commander in 2007; and Senior Vice Commander at the 2008 National Convention in Las Vegas. She also held national chairmanships for the Americanism, Legislation and Membership Committees.

She volunteers at the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Ft. Myers, Fla., where she donated more than 1,000 hours of voluntary service. She is also an effective legislative advocate who actively seeks the support of her legislators for legislation benefitting disabled veterans and their families.

Commander Egan has four children, nine grandchildren and a granddaughter-in-law. Her only daughter, a former U.S. Navy Reserve Captain, is a life member of the DAV Auxiliary and four of her grandchildren are junior members.

The DAV Auxiliary is a nonprofit auxiliary organization of the 1.3 million-member Disabled American Veterans founded in 1920 and chartered by the U.S. Congress in 1932, which represents this nation's disabled veterans. The DAV and its Auxiliary are dedicated to a single purpose: building better lives for America's disabled veterans and their families. For more information, visit the organization's Web site www.dav.org.

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