



**THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS  
WASHINGTON**

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Dear Dr. Miyamoto:

Thank you very much for your letter offering congratulations and support as I begin my service as Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

My charter will be to transform the VA into an organization that reflects the change and commitment our Nation expects and our Veterans deserve.

I look forward to our continued collaboration in support of our Nation's Veterans.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Shulkin", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David J. Shulkin, M.D.