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(Member name)
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Dear :

Many thanks for agreeing to serve on the VA HSR&D Center of Innovation for Health Equity Research and Promotion's (CHERP) Veterans Community Advisory Board (VCAB). We are very excited that your participation will allow our research programs to engage Veterans in a more comprehensive way.

You will be serving as a Veteran advisory board member. Your appointment, with an anticipated ... start date, will be for ... and will be renewable without a lapse in service at the end of each term. You may choose to withdraw from the VCAB at any time, and your participation, or choice to withdraw, will not affect your individual care or benefits that you receive here or at any other VA Medical Center, CBOC, or other VA organizations. Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of every month from September through June, 12:00-2:00pm in the National Center for Homelessness Among Veterans Conference Room, Suite 201, 4100 Chester Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19104 (unless otherwise noted).

Your experience as a Veteran will be a wonderful asset to the VCAB and will provide the widespread expertise essential to a well-informed board. Your insight ensures that CHERP's research promotes Veterans interests and involves them in the decision making process for project design, direction, and dissemination, while fostering continued and deepened communication between Veterans and the CHERP research community.

Please indicate your willingness to serve as a member of VCAB by signing and returning one of the two original appointment letters to The other original may be retained for your files.

I ACCEPT: _____
Signature Date

Your generosity in helping this important effort is appreciated by all of us here at the Corporal Michael J. Crescenz VA Medical Center. We look forward to your joining us. Again, many thanks and welcome.

Very truly yours,

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