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To: All VMA Lodges

From: VMA Endowment Chairman -- Rusty Byrd

Subject: **Required Monthly Endowment Fund remittal**

Reference: Mooseheart and Moosehaven Endowment Fund

On behalf of the Virginia Moose Association, I would like to congratulate and thank all the VMA Lodges and Lodge members for remitting the Endowment funds to Moose International collected each month. As you are aware, endowment funds are required to be transmitted by the 10th of each month. By failing to do so, your Lodge may not qualify for certain honors handed out by Moose International. If your Lodge is shown as making monthly contributions then it establishes that your Lodge has been recognized by Moose International as satisfying that requirement. We invite you to visit the VMA Website, [www.vmaweb.com](http://www.vmaweb.com) then click Moose Charities listed on the left side. Scroll down and find the endowment section for Endowment fund Donations by Lodge and Chapter. If your Lodge shows "0" donation, then you have not contributed this year.

Those Lodges that participated in the Endowment Cradle Fund raiser, we thank you very very much, but more important, our little children at Mooseheart and our Seniors at Moosehaven thank you.

I am disappointed to advise you that 15 Lodges in our Association are reported by Moose Charities to have failed to meet the obligation they pledged to do. Those Lodges will receive separate correspondence requesting that each Lodge correct this deficiency as soon as possible. It is hoped that those Lodges are not on the donation list due to no fault of their own and in fact hopefully those Lodges have donated to our Endowment Fund.

Brothers, our Endowment Fund started out years ago as a "Penny Fund" in 1918. From that time forward we as Moose Brothers have insured that "Mooseheart the Child City" and "Mooseheaven the City of Contentment" will always be there for those in need.

With your continued support and dedication, we will hopefully be able to announce proudly at our upcoming Convention this coming January, the Virginia Moose Association not only has 100% Lodge participation in donations to our Endowment Fund but that the Virginia Moose Association has an increase over last years donations.

I thank you in advance for everything you do for our Association and our Fraternity,

Carl "Rusty" Byrd --- VMA Endowment Chairman -- 11/28/11