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Greetings Comrades,

I am reaching out to request your support for a vital initiative that will significantly enhance mental healthcare for our Veterans. We are seeking donations through the Poppy Fund to support the installation of a Multi-Modal Motion Assisted Memory Desensitization and Reconsolidation (3MDR) therapy system at Deer Lodge Hospital in Winnipeg. This request is fully approved under Section 403.ii.b of the Poppy Manual, which allows for funding of innovative, Veteran-focused mental health treatments, as well as 403.ii.d, and 403.ii.n.

In partnership with the University of Alberta and Hi MARC (Heroes in Mind, Advocacy and Research Consortium), we have been working to bring this groundbreaking therapy to Manitoba. 3MDR has demonstrated remarkable success in treating Veterans with PTSD, offering a unique, immersive approach that helps individuals confront and process traumatic memories in a safe and controlled environment.

The results have been so compelling that Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) is now advocating for the deployment of 3MDR systems in all Operational Stress Injury (OSI) clinics across the country. While these clinics are prepared to provide space and undertake necessary renovations, they are unable to fund the purchase, installation, and training required to implement the therapy.

Each 3MDR unit, including installation and staff training, costs \$200,000. We are currently working to raise the necessary funds to install one unit at Deer Lodge Hospital in the Veterans Wing, which will serve as a critical resource for Veterans in our region. Your donation would directly support this transformative project and help ensure that our Veterans receive the care and support they so rightly deserve. Please make donations to Provincial Command, with the subject being Poppy Project #6.

Thank you for your consideration and continued commitment to our Veterans.

In Comradeship,
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