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Dear Fellow Tax Collectors and Friends:

Let me first start by Thanking You ALL for allowing me to be your President. I have to say I really learned so much this past year. The Lawbook became my bible and the website and my fellow Executive Board members were truly my saving grace.

With Covid amongst us all, the Executive Board had to hold many of our meetings virtually. Unfortunately, when we finally got to go back to meeting in person, we lost our normal meeting location at Plodzick and Sanderson. We were very thankful for Michele, Penny and Jamie at DRA for having our back and stepping up to get us a new meeting location at DRA.

My main goal this past year was figuring out all of this new virtual stuff that was thrown at all of us. Our education is so important. I felt that we really needed to be there and help the new collectors coming in and also be able to still network with our fellow collectors during the virtual spring workshops. I did not want anyone to feel that they were alone and had to figure out anything on their own.

The Executive Board put so much work into figuring out this new way of educating everyone. I want to Thank them all from the bottom of my heart for all their hard work and dedication to this Association.

Unfortunately, due to Covid I was not able to travel throughout our beautiful State for the Spring workshops or attend the Connecticut Conference. I am hoping that at some point I will be able to attend. There is so much to learn from our sister State.

To all of our new incoming friends, I want to urge you to attend the Certification Program. It was a great experience and so well worth the education I obtained from it. You will leave there with so much more knowledge of your job and a network of friends that you can always count on for years to come.

I would also like to urge you all to please get involved with one of the many committees. You will not regret it. As I already mentioned I have learned so much this past year. This knowledge only benefits you in your life as well as your day-to-day tasks.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve as your Association President for 2020-2021, it was definitely an experience I will never forget.

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