



Debra Quade of Kellogg's accepts Chairmanship of NVBDC Certification Committee

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From Keith King, President, National Veteran Business Development Council

The National Veteran Business Development Council, the leading independent third party certification organization of Service Disabled and Veteran Owned Businesses announced the appointment of Debra Quade as Chair of its Certification Committee.

"I'm very pleased to announce that Debra Quade of Kellogg's has agreed to Chair our Veteran Business Certification committee. Deb's support of our Veteran Business Owners has been outstanding from day one. With her appointment as Chair of our Certification Committee she solidifies the committee and with her reputation and credentials in the Supplier Diversity profession she will work to bring other industry leaders to serve on the committee. It has been my pleasure to work with Deb on many of the Veteran Businesses that we have already certified. Her insight and knowledge has been of great value to me personally and the NVBDC overall" said Keith King, President of the NVBDC.

Reaction in the Veteran Business community has been swift and positive as this note of congratulations and thanks from Tony Brown, NVBDC Board Chair and former Group Vice President, Global Purchasing Ford Motor Company (Ret) demonstrates: "Outstanding, Debra! Great to have you on the team."

Other examples of congratulations include: "On behalf of the veteran business community, thanks for accepting this important NVBDC position. I'm sure your friends in Battle Creek are proud that one of their colleagues has cemented a relationship with all veteran business owners. As the editor of VetLikeMe, each day I see the business challenges and opportunities for veteran business owners, including those of us who were injured serving our country. Once again, thanks for your commitment" Hardy Stone.

The NVBDC continues to add corporate sponsors and truly appreciates their support of our efforts to certify our fellow Veteran Business owners. Recently, AT&T and 3M have contributed to the NVBDC as we have completed certification of Veteran Owned companies in Kansas, Arizona, Texas and have over 80 companies pending nationwide.