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Dear Region V Assembly,

This is my last report as Region 5 Treasurer. I thank for your trust, patience, and feedback as I have carried out the responsibilities of this role. I have definitely learned a lot and have had the opportunity to work with a talented group of Board members during the last 2 years.

The major activities in this final quarter of the fiscal year were the tax filing, the renewal of our 501(c)(3) corporation status, the transfer of Statutory Agent responsibility to our accounting firm, and the Region 5 Convention in Cincinnati. I have processed contribution checks received in the PO box up to and including October 29th. Lastly, the Finance Committee will be reviewing a proposed budget I've prepared, which the body will adopt at this Assembly.

Please see the separate report on the closeout for the Convention held on October 10-12. Overall, the results were strong, leaving the Region with \$8847.85 as proceeds. The report details show that we had expenses lower than anticipated. All of the volunteers who handled money at the event were very diligent in keeping track of it, and I am very grateful for their assistance!

As you review the final budget report for the year, you may note that there were some expense items higher than expected. Fortunately, this was offset some by the contributions exceeding what we budgeted. Please review the attached contribution report, informing me of any discrepancies you might see. You will note that money received from Central Illinois groups is tracked as a part of the "Chicago" section. The contributions from groups and Intergroups are very appreciated.

Our financial health continues to be stable. We have contributed to World Service Office this year to support the general, Professional Exhibit, and Public Awareness funds. We also funded our participation in the American Dietetic Association conference in Chicago in September this year. Lastly, we did provide delegate funding but not to the full amount – please encourage the use of this resource.

I will provide my full support to the incoming Treasurer elected by the body so that the transition will occur as quickly and effectively as possible. I anticipate traveling to the home city of the new Treasurer for a day of review on the documented procedures, assigning accounts, and transferring all records in my possession. Please remind your groups that the PO box for contributions and other mailings will change by the 30th of November. Updated forms will be placed on the Region 5 website with the new information.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to serve the OA fellowship at this level.

Submitted in service,

Tony Alonso
Region V Treasurer