## Northern District Thoughts - October 2, 2021

## Opening Thoughts:

Today the theme of our conference is "Moving Forward." As Alyson Noel says, "The only thing a person can ever really do is keep moving forward. Take that big leap forward without hesitation, without once looking back. Simply forget the past and forge toward the future." As part of moving forward today, we are going on a field trip to remarkable places in Northern California. Which places? Places you have been to? Places you want to go? It sounds like a Dr. Seuss book, doesn't it? "Oh, the places you'll go!" Let's move forward together into the beauty of Northern California; into the beauty of sisterhood; into the beauty of time well spent at our Northern District Conference today.

## Closing Thoughts:

Martin Luther King, Jr. said, "If you can't fly, then run. If you can't run, then walk. If you can't walk, then crawl. But whatever you do, you have to keep moving forward." So, we have spent our time moving forward together as California Alpha Delta Kappa sisters. Let continue moving forward by taking back to our chapters the ideas we have shared today. Ideas about the beauty of California. Ideas about meeting together safely in person, by zoom or both. As the pandemic loosens its grip on us how can we get together and strengthen our sisterhood in the process? As J.R.R. Tolkien wrote in the Hobbit, "Go back?" he thought. "No good at all! Go sideways? Impossible! Go forward? Only thing to do! On we go!" We are all moving forward and creating the future of Alpha Delta Kappa. Thanks for joining us today at the Northern District Conference!

