



March 22, 2017

The Honorable Walter Jones
United States House of Representatives
2333 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

On behalf of the Association of the United States Navy, we would like to pledge our support for H.R. 888, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain totally disabled veterans.

This bill allows for the Secretary of the VA will treat a notification of the death of a veteran as a claim by the surviving spouse and the children of the deceased veterans for benefits. The Secretary should not require that the spouse and children file claims for such benefits.

Thank you for taking an active role in such an important issue to the Military and Veteran community by working to improve the lives and careers of those who served our great nation. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at 703-548-5800 or at michael.little@ausn.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Joseph Little". To the right of the signature, there is a typed name "Michael J. Little" and the acronym "USNR" below it.

Michael J. Little
Director of Legislative Affairs