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The Honorable Jason Altmire  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Altmire:

The Military Coalition (TMC), a consortium of 33 nationally prominent military and veteran organizations, representing more than 5.5 million members plus their families and survivors, appreciates your leadership and the leadership of Congressmen Walter Jones, Cliff Stearns, and Patrick Murphy in offering H.R. 3793, the Veterans Guaranteed Bonus Act.

Recent reports have highlighted the unfortunate financial burden that military members and their families have endured when the service member is faced with career-ending, combat-related disabilities. The Coalition is in full agreement that these service members should be able to keep their remaining enlistment or retention bonuses when the only reason they could not continue to serve is due to the severe injuries they incurred in combat.

The Veterans Guaranteed Bonus Act will fulfill the contractual promise made between the Department of Defense and these heroic troops. Thank you and your cosponsors again for offering your bill and the Coalition pledges to work with you to secure its enactment.

Sincerely,

The Military Coalition  
(Signatures enclosed)

Cc: Representative Walter B. Jones (R-NC)  
Representative Cliff Stearns (R-FL)  
Representative Patrick Murphy (D-PA)

Air Force Association  
Air Force Sergeants Association  
Air Force Women Officers Associated  
American Logistics Association  
AMVETS (American Veterans)  
Army Aviation Association of America  
Association of Military Surgeons of the United States  
Association of the United States Army  
Chief Warrant Officer and Warrant Officer Association, U.S. Coast Guard  
Commissioned Officers Association of the U.S. Public Health Service, Inc.  
Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States  
Fleet Reserve Association  
Gold Star Wives of America, Inc.  
Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America  
Marine Corps League  
Marine Corps Reserve Association  
Military Chaplains Association of the United States of America  
Military Officers Association of America  
Military Order of the Purple Heart  
National Association for Uniformed Services  
National Guard Association of the United States  
National Military Family Association  
National Order of Battlefield Commissions  
Naval Reserve Association  
Navy League of the United States  
Non Commissioned Officers Association  
Reserve Enlisted Association of the United States  
Reserve Officers Association  
The Retired Enlisted Association  
United States Army Warrant Officers Association  
United States Coast Guard Chief Petty Officers Association  
Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States  
Veterans' Widows International Network