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June 7, 2019

The Honorable Richard Neal, Chairman
Committee on Ways and Means
U.S. House of Representatives
2309 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-2101

Dear Chairman Neal:

While the mission of the National Retiree Legislative Network (NRLN) is to represent the interest of more than 2 million retirees and future retirees on income security and health care, I am writing to you because many of our members have children and grandchildren serving in the U.S. Military. In your Committee on Ways and Means is **H.R. 2481, Gold Star Family Tax Relief Act**. It would be greatly appreciated if you would call for a vote on this bill and support its passage.

The **Gold Star Family Tax Relief Act**, which was passed on a bipartisan vote in the Senate on May 21, 2019, would provide tax relief for children receiving benefits who have lost a parent serving in the military. This legislation fixes an unintended tax problem by classifying survivor benefits as earned income, significantly reducing the tax burden.

Gold Star families have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. The 161 bipartisan cosponsors of **H.R. 2481** are right in their desire to have your Committee on Ways and Means to promptly pass this bill and have a successful vote on the House floor.

To learn more about why the NRLN supports **H.R. 2481**, please ask a member of your staff to contact me or Alyson Parker, the NRLN's Executive Director in Washington, DC at 813-545-6792 or executivedirector@nrln.org.

Your leadership to enact Gold Star Family Tax Relief is very important.

Sincerely,

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