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November 5, 2019

The Honorable Kevin Brady, Ranking Member
Committee on Ways and Means
U.S. House of Representatives
1011 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-4308

Dear Representative Brady:

On behalf of the more than 2 million retirees and future retirees represented by the National Retiree Legislative Network (NRLN) in all 50 states, I am requesting that you support calling for a vote in the Committee on Ways and Means on **H.R. 2771, Protecting HOME Act of 2019.**

Passing this bill is important to the NRLN because it would make permanent the rural relief provided by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Service's ESRD/DMEPOS Final Rule in the November 2018 and it would eliminate an outdated oxygen budget neutrality requirement.

It's estimated that over 40% of traditional DME companies nationwide have either closed or are no longer taking Medicare patients due to these unsustainable payment cuts.

If you would like to know more about why the NRLN supports **H.R. 2771**, 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.

The NRLN's full Legislative Agenda and detailed whitepapers can be found at www.nrln.org. Your consideration on these issues would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

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