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The Honorable John Mannion
U.S. House of Representatives
1228 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Mannion:

The Fleet Reserve Association (FRA) strongly supports H.R. 5436, the “End Transcript Withholding for Veterans Act.” This legislation prohibits educational institutions from withholding transcripts from veterans who used Post-9/11 GI Bill assistance, targeting a practice that prevents veterans from transferring credits or obtaining employment over minor administrative disputes.

Our members have earned their education through their service and sacrifice. Withholding a transcript is effectively holding a veteran’s career hostage. H.R. 5436 ensures that the benefits our sailors, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen earned cannot be used as leverage against them by institutions receiving federal funds.

We thank you for championing this issue of veteran student rights. For additional information, please contact Mr. Theo Lawson, Assistant Director of Legislative Programs, at TheoL@fra.org.

Sincerely,

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