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The Honorable Jon Tester Chairman, Appropriations Defense Subcommittee United States Senate 311 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Fleet Reserve Association (FRA) respectfully requests an opportunity to present its recommendations on the FY 2022 the Department of Defense budget to your distinguished subcommittee.

FRA is a leader in the military/veterans organization community and represents Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard enlisted personnel on compensation, benefits and quality of life programs.

The Association led efforts in recent years to enact the Tenant's Bill of Rights for Military Housing, repeal the SBP/CIC offset (AKA "Military Widows Tax"), pass predatory lending protections for active-duty personnel, enhance pay for enlisted personnel and other benefit improvements for active, reserve, retired, and veterans of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard and their families and survivors.

The point of contact at FRA is John Davis, Director of Legislative Programs, at the above numbers or (john@fra.org). Your kind consideration is appreciated and best wishes for a productive First Session of the 117th Congress.

Sincerely,

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National Executive Director