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The Honorable Vicky Hartzler U.S. House of Representatives 2235 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Congresswoman Hartzler:

The Fleet Reserve Association (FRA) supports your legislation, the "VA Hiring Enhancement Act" (H.R.1163). The bill authorizes the VHA to begin the recruitment and hiring process for health care providers up to two years prior to the completion of their required training. The bill also releases physicians from "non-compete agreements" for the purpose of serving in the VHA.

The Association appreciates your dedication to veteran's issues. The FRA point of contact is Brian Condon, Assistant Director of Veterans Programs, at brianc@fra.org.

Sincerely,

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