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The Honorable Alan Grayson U.S. House of Representatives 303 Cannon Office Building Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Rep. Grayson:

The Fleet Reserve Association supports your legislation (H.R. 4493) to extend for one-year the Special Survivor Indemnity Allowance (SSIA) which is set to expire on October 1, 2017.

SSIA provides limited financial relief to widows and widowers of deceased military members in receipt Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) annuities and affected by the required annuity offset for the Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) paid by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

The Association is grateful for your sponsorship of this much needed legislation and stands ready to assist you in its passage in the 114th Congress. The FRA point of contact is John Davis, Director of Legislative Programs, at the above numbers or (john@fra.org).

Sincerely,

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