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The Honorable Jason Chaffetz U.S. House of Representatives 2464 Rayburn Office Building Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Representative Chaffetz

The Fleet Reserve Association (FRA) supports your legislation (H.R. 1770) that eliminates the different Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) benefits for reservist and active duty service members who die in the line of duty.

Under Current law, SBP annuity for survivors of members of the reserves do not receive the same benefit as the regular active military. This law makes the SBP annuity the same for the survivors of members of the reserves who die from an injury or illness incurred or aggravated in the line of duty during inactive-duty training the same as the regular active military who die in the line of duty.

The Association appreciates your leadership on this issue and stands ready to provide assistance in advancing this legislation.

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Sincerely,

National Executive Director

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