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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 258

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A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the administration of President Donald Trump to ensure the passage of  
the Major Richard Star Act to provide that combat wounded, medically retired  
service members receive proper entitlements.

WHEREAS, approximately fifty thousand service members, including many from  
Louisiana, were wounded in combat while deployed on behalf of the United States and, as  
a result of their injuries, were medically retired; and

WHEREAS, these veterans were then forced under current law to choose between  
receiving military retirement pay based upon their time in service or Department of Veterans  
Affairs disability benefits, resulting in an offset that reduced their total compensation; and

WHEREAS, veterans affairs and military retirement come from separate funds and  
intend to honor two different forms of sacrifice and service; and

WHEREAS, the Major Richard Star Act has bipartisan support including five  
cosponsors from Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the administration of President  
Donald Trump to ensure the passage of the Major Richard Star Act to provide that combat  
wounded, medically retired service members receive proper entitlements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the  
President of the United States and to each member of the President's cabinet in recognition  
of the urgent need to support our nation's combat wounded veterans.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES