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Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
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October 3, 2013

The Honorable Chuck Hagel  
Secretary of Defense  
1000 Defense Pentagon  
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Dear Secretary Hagel:

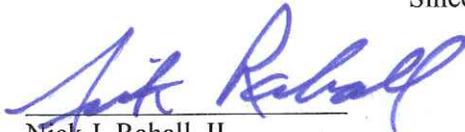
We respectfully request that you use your broad discretion afforded with the passage of H.R. 3210 to ensure that full-time National Guard employees receive excepted status during the government shutdown.

Congress' intent in passing H.R. 3210 was two-fold. First, Congress desired to mitigate the harm to the men and women who have already sacrificed so much for our country caused by the present budget impasse. Second, Congress intended to maintain a level of military readiness.

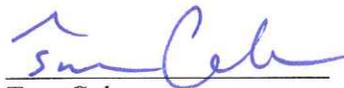
Our National Guard is a critical component of ensuring that our Nation stands prepared to rapidly confront disaster at home and abroad. That is why we ask that you deem those activated under Title 32 – Active Guard & Reserve, dual status military technicians, and Active Duty Operational Support – as excepted employees. Further, we request that those civilian workers who support Title 32 employees in their mission – non-dual status military technicians and federally reimbursed State civilian employees – receive this same designation.

We feel that the dual mission of National Guard personnel necessitates that they receive the same consideration as servicemembers and support staff working under Title 10. We thank you in advance for your efforts in ensuring that our National Guard personnel receive the compensation they are owed and rightly deserve for performing the vital services that protect our Nation.

Sincerely,



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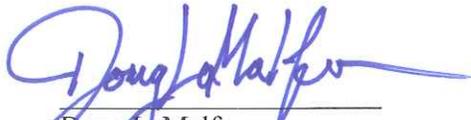
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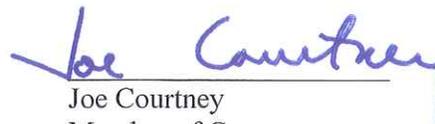
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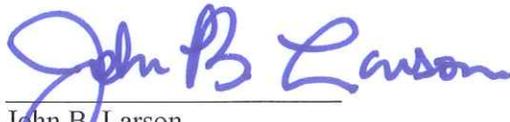
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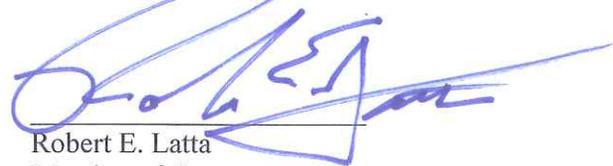
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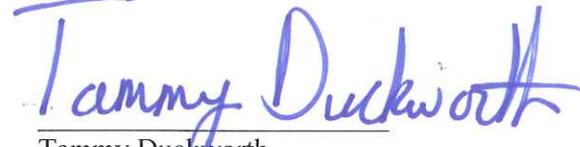
  
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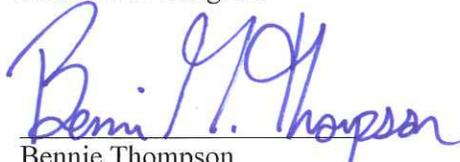
  
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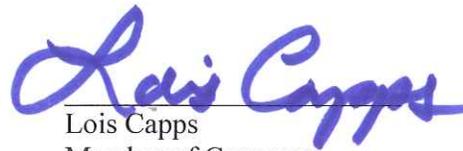
  
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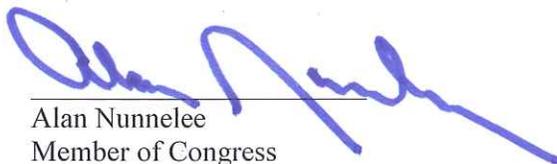
  
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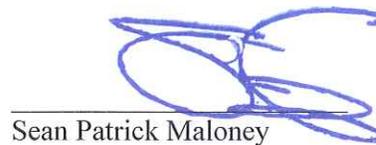
  
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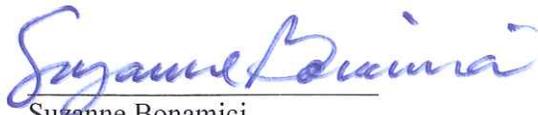
  
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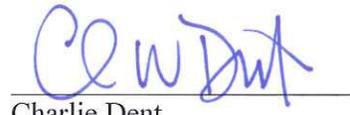
  
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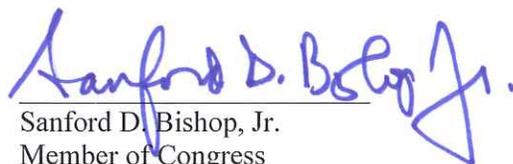
  
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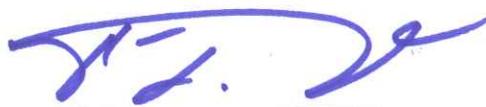
  
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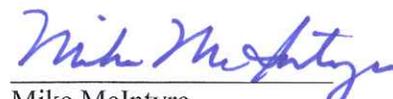
  
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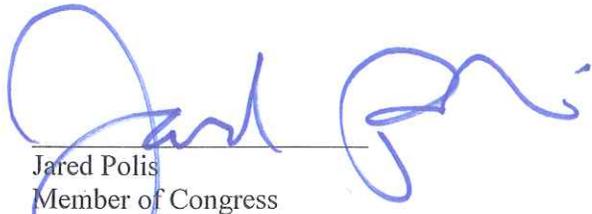
  
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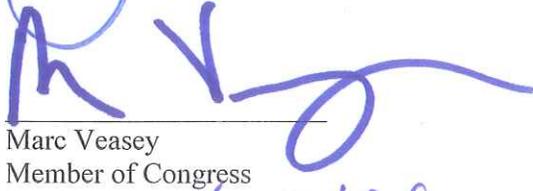
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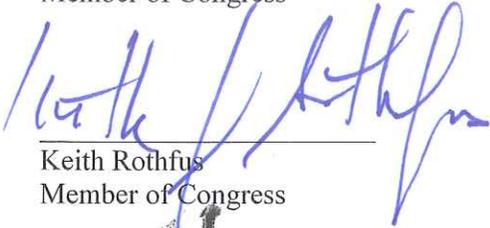
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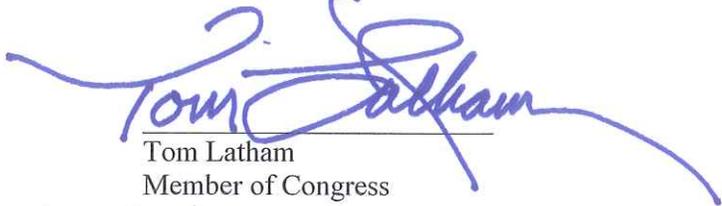
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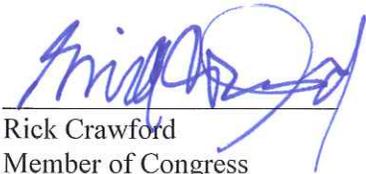
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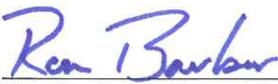
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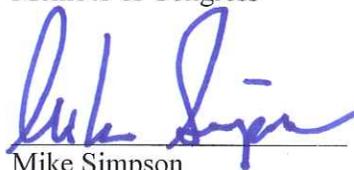
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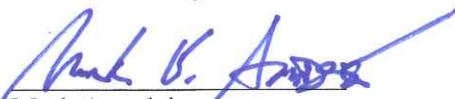
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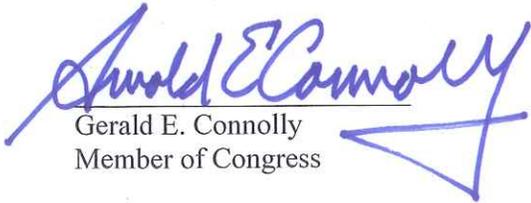
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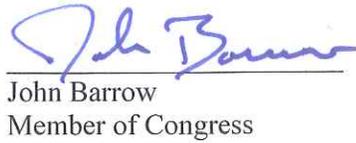


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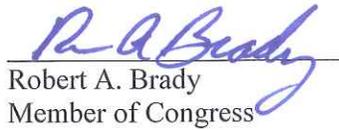
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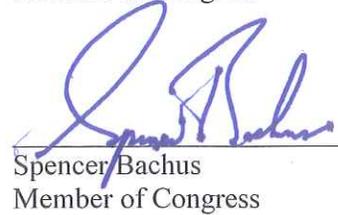
  
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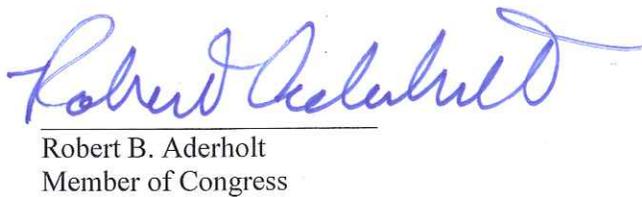
  
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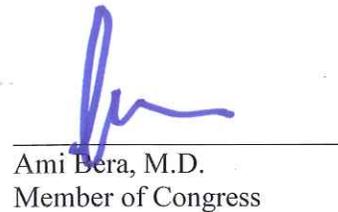
  
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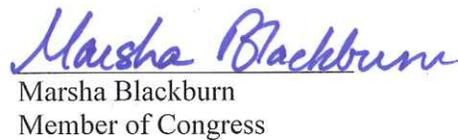
  
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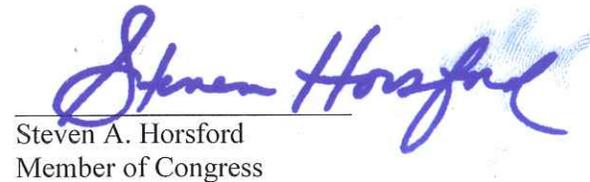
  
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