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Veterans Update

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SERVICEMEMBERS RECEIVE GREATER INSURANCE COVERAGE

The House of Representatives recently approved H.R. 3200, the Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance Enhancement Act. This legislation will allow for the maximum coverage for Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance and Veterans' Group Life Insurance to be permanently increased to \$400,000.

With this increased insurance coverage, Congress is helping ensure that our servicemembers and veterans can provide for their families. H.R.3200 makes permanent the maximum coverage available to servicemembers and veterans. A temporary \$400,000 ceiling was enacted earlier this. The bill also boosts the incremental increases in both levels of coverage for both these life insurance programs from the current \$10,000 to \$50,000. This important piece of legislation was also passed in the Senate and will be signed by the President later this month.

ROGERS CO-SPONSORS LEGISLATION HONORING GOLD STAR MOTHERS

The American Gold Star Mothers is a non-profit, patriotic organization, who works closely with our nation's veterans organizations. This year, American Gold Star Mothers' Day fell on September 25th. Congressman Rogers recently co-sponsored a congressional resolution recognizing Gold Star Mothers' Day and honoring mothers who have lost a child in service of our country.

The membership of American Gold Star Mothers is composed of mothers who lost a son or daughter while in service to our country. The American Gold Star Mothers is a federally-chartered organization and a member of the National Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service Advisory Committee.

The 150 chapters of Gold Star Mothers throughout the United States give many hours of work and personal service in hospitals for the veterans, and to the veterans and their families. These women represent duty, honor and country, and we cannot thank them for their loyalty and commitment.