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Commissioner Gerard Robinson
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Dear Commissioner Robinson,

As the Congressman from Florida's Fifth Congressional District, it is my honor to represent over 116,000 patriotic veterans.

With that in mind, I wanted to take a brief moment to thank you on behalf of those proud veterans for the great work the Florida Department of Education (DOE) has been doing with the Veteran Diploma Program.

Through this important program, eligible Florida veterans have the ability to receive their high school diploma if they were inducted into military service before completing high school. This incredible opportunity provided by the Florida Department of Education rewards veterans for their service and sacrifice to this nation.

We as a nation already owe our service members a debt that can never fully be repaid and this program provides an incredible service to those brave Floridians who put their lives on hold to protect the freedoms this state and this nation enjoy every day.

Again, thank you for your office's dedication to our nation's veterans. In the future, if I can be of any assistance regarding this program, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Richard B. Nugent
Member of Congress