

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

May 2, 2017

The Honorable Paul D. Ryan  
Speaker of the House  
H-232 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker,

We write to you today to urge you to bring a measure to the House floor that repeals sequestration for national defense. The undersigned will vote in favor of specifically repealing sequestration for national defense.

As you are well aware, President Obama's sequestration policy continues to harm our military and greatly diminishes our ability to defend our global position. Congress must take immediate action to reverse this harmful trend.

It is clear that there is now broad ranging support in both the executive and legislative branches of government for the immediate repeal of defense sequestration. During a speech on U.S. national security policy in September 2016, President Donald Trump stated:

“As soon as I take office, I will ask Congress to fully eliminate the defense sequester and will submit a new budget to rebuild our military.”

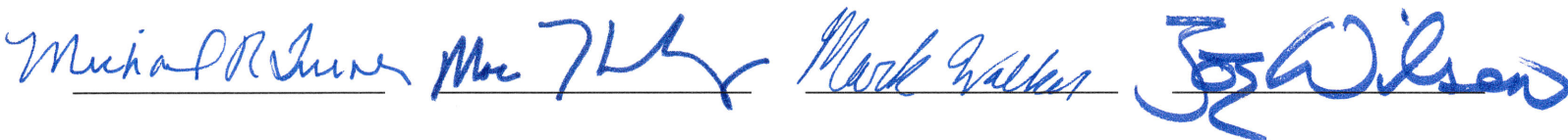
Further, the White House website has been updated following the inauguration and now states:

“President Trump will end the defense sequester and submit a new budget to Congress outlining a plan to rebuild our military. We will provide our military leaders with the means to plan for our future defense needs.”

As President Trump begins to prepare his budget request for Fiscal Year 2018, it is imperative that we provide him with the ability to fully fund national defense. We must afford our President the ability to restore military readiness and provide him with the necessary tools to protect our interests at home and abroad.

Many of the members serving in the 115th Congress have never cast a vote on sequestration. Sequestration diminishes our military's readiness, impedes our ability to deter adversaries effectively, and ravages our defense communities across the country. As such, each member should have the opportunity to voice their opposition.

Sincerely,

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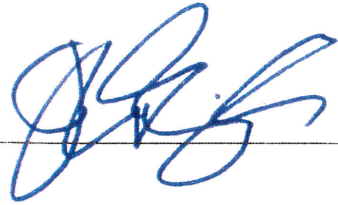
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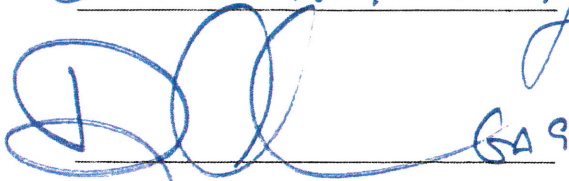
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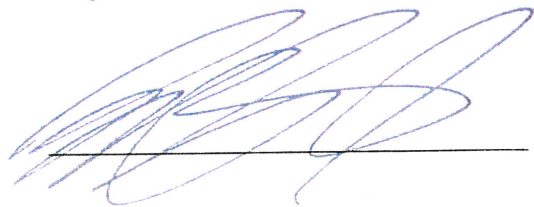
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