November 21, 2016

The Honorable Paul Ryan
Speaker
U.S. House of Representatives
H-232 U.S. Capitol Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Speaker Ryan,

As the 114th Congress comes to a close, we remain concerned that Congress has failed to pass the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2017. The primary function of government is to provide for the common defense, and for 54 consecutive years, Congress has successfully acted to support the service members currently protecting American families around the world.

Our nation currently faces more threats than at any point before in our history and our military continues to answer the call. It is our duty to ensure that when they are asked to serve, our military can do so with sufficient resources and training capabilities.

This year’s NDAA includes vital provisions to restore readiness, reform military health care, extend counterterrorism authorities, and provide needed pay raises for our troops. We must pass this critical legislation that supports our troops, veterans, and military families before adjourning.

We respectfully request that Congress resist any proposed adjournment before we pass this year’s NDAA.

Sincerely,

Joe Wilson
Member of Congress

Mike Rogers
Member of Congress

Dr. Joe Heck
Member of Congress

Vicky Hartzler
Member of Congress