



VFW Action Alert: Take Action Now

Help us tell Congress to keep the Global War on Terrorism Memorial Location Act and the Major Richard Star Act as amendments in the NDAA for 2022

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Congress is voting now on the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2022. There are two critical amendments that NEED to stay!

GWOT Memorial Location Act

With the recent end to the conflict in Afghanistan and the 20th commemoration of the attacks on 9/11, NOW is the time to formally honor the more than 2.7 million men and women who served in the Global War on Terrorism (GWOT). Washington bureaucrats are prohibiting a GWOT Memorial on the National Mall. The VFW strongly believes that our veterans, their families, and survivors have more than earned their right to have a place to commemorate alongside the other memorials of previous generations. Congress is failing the post-9/11 veterans who fought to defend our freedom and way of life.

Major Richard Star Act

Scores of disabled combat veterans are being DENIED full access to their hard-earned benefits. Over 48,000 medically retired veterans, most of whom are Purple Heart recipients, are forbidden from receiving full retirement pay, a benefit for which they sacrificed their health and military careers. The VFW firmly believes that DOD retirement pay, and VA disability compensation are fundamentally different benefits, earned for different reasons. Congress has failed to acknowledge this inequity and needs to fix this injustice now.

The VFW demands that Congress pass both the *GWOT Memorial Location Act* and the *Major Richard Star Act* as amendments to the NDAA for 2022.

TAKE ACTION!

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Congress is voting on these amendments **NOW**, so you must contact your members **TODAY!** [Tell them to keep the *Global War on Terrorism Memorial Location Act* and the *Major Richard Star Act* as amendments in the NDAA for 2022.](#) Now is the time to honor GWOT veterans and provide Purple Heart recipients the benefits they earned and deserve! Contact your