



December 20, 2018

The Honorable Cheri Bustos
United States House of Representatives
1009 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Katherine Clark
United States House of Representatives
2448 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Greg Gianforte
United States House of Representatives
1419 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable William Keating
United States House of Representatives
2351 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable James McGovern
United States House of Representatives
438 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representatives Bustos, Gianforte, McGovern, Clark, Keating,

On behalf of the 52 undersigned organizations representing the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), we would like to thank you for introducing the United States Cadet Nurse Corps Service Recognition Act (H.R. 7258). The members of the Nursing Community Coalition are the cross section of education, practice, research, and regulation within the nursing profession. As a coalition, we fully support this legislation that recognizes nurses who served as members of the United States Cadet Nurse Corps during World War II and provides them with honorable discharges, medal privileges, and veteran burial benefits.

This year marks the 75th Anniversary of the first class of nurses in the United States Cadet Nurse Corps. From 1943 to 1948, nearly 120,000 nurses honorably served to care for America's servicemen and women during World War II. As the average age of these nurses increases, it is imperative that this legislation moves forward to recognize their invaluable service. The NCC commends your commitment and efforts to honor our nation's nurses who answered the call to action.

Again, we thank you for introducing H.R. 7258 as we acknowledge the service of the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps. If the Nursing Community Coalition can be of any assistance to you or your staff, please do not hesitate to contact the coalition's Executive Director, Rachel Stevenson, at rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org or at 202-463-6930, ext. 271.

Sincerely,

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American Psychiatric Nurses Association
American Public Health Association, Public Health Nursing Section
American Society for Pain Management Nursing
American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses
Association for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing
Association of Community Health Nursing Educators
Association of Nurses in AIDS Care
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Association of Public Health Nurses
Association of Rehabilitation Nurses
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National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health
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