



T H E M I L I T A R Y C O A L I T I O N

201 North Washington Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22314
(703) 838-8113

August 14, 2007

The Honorable Thelma Drake
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Drake:

The Military Coalition (TMC), a consortium of uniformed services and veterans associations representing more than 5.5 million current and former servicemembers and their families and survivors, is writing to express our appreciation and support for H.R. 3026, the Military Spouses Memorial Act of 2007. Your provision to authorize a military spouse monument in the Washington, D.C., area will be a great tribute to all military spouses, from all generations.

TMC would also like to extend our grateful appreciation to the Military Spouse Legacy Association, Inc., for bringing this initiative to your attention. A monument that memorializes military spouses, past, present and future will help us to never forget the personal sacrifices and contributions spouses have made over the years to family and force readiness. We know that if the family is ready, the military force is ready.

Military spouses are an essential part of our country's history and we thank you for sponsoring this important measure. The Coalition looks forward to working with you and the Military Spouse Legacy Association, Inc., to enact this provision.

Thank you again

Sincerely,

The Military Coalition
(signatures enclosed)