

July 13, 2022

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker of the House U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Kevin McCarthy Minority Leader U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Speaker Pelosi and Minority Leader McCarthy,

The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA), on behalf of our 350,000 members, thanks you and members of the U.S. House of Representatives for your prioritization and expeditious work on the FY 2023 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). Your efforts support our Uniformed Services, protect the interests of servicemembers and their families, and enhance our nation's security.

We face an incredibly challenging recruiting and retention environment, and we believe the way through this challenge is to prioritize and care for our servicemembers and their families. We ask for full House support on the following floor amendments to the FY 2023 NDAA:

- Amendment No. <u>28</u> Removes the 180-day delay for hiring military retirees into the military healthcare system, to combat nationwide healthcare shortages and allow continued uninterrupted service to Servicemembers, Veterans, and beneficiaries.
- Amendment No. <u>209</u> Prevents the enforcement of predispute forced arbitration clauses in any dispute covered under the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act.
- Amendment No. <u>661</u> Establishes a pilot program providing eligible military spouses with a spouse-specific Training Assistance Program focusing on employment services, offering guidance on available health care resources, and training in mental health first aid to learn crisis management strategies.
- Amendment No. <u>1045</u> Grants the Secretary of Defense authority to increase the inflation bonus pay above 2.4 percent for servicemembers and DOD civilian employees who make \$45,000 or less annually in order to respond to the ongoing economic impact of inflation.
- Amendment No. <u>1112</u> Requires a feasibility study on adding au pairs to the in-home child care fee assistance program and expresses the sense of