



Response from Rep. Nicholas A. Langworthy

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NICHOLAS A. LANGWORTHY

Representing the 23rd District of New York

Dear 

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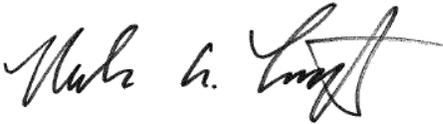
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Our nation's servicemembers have sacrificed so much in defense of our freedoms, and they deserve our deepest gratitude. Since being sworn into Congress in 2023, I have made it my mission to help those who have given so much to keep our country safe. Whether it's advancing legislation to strengthen veterans' healthcare, protecting and expanding earned benefits, honoring our Vietnam veterans through pinning ceremonies, or demanding accountability at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), I want every veteran in the 23rd Congressional District to know that they are a top priority.

Rest assured that should any legislation regarding this rule be introduced in the House, I will keep your thoughts in mind. Additionally, if you are ever in need of assistance navigating the VA or another federal agency, please reach out to my Clarence District Office at 716-547-6844. I have staff on hand who are specialized in assisting you navigate federal agencies and expedite your claims.

Once again, thank you for contacting me about this important issue. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any additional questions, comments, or concerns. My door is always open, and I am honored to serve Western New York and the Southern Tier in Washington.

Sincerely,



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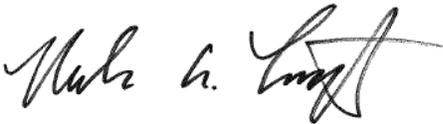
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nick A. Langworthy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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