

March 18th, 2019

The Honorable Anthony Gonzalez
U.S. House of Representatives
1023 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Gonzalez,

The National Military and Veterans Alliance, a non-partisan advocacy group comprised of the undersigned military and veteran service organizations, writes to support your introduction of H.R. 1424: The Fallen Warrior Battlefield Cross Memorial Act.

The Fallen Warrior Battlefield Cross Memorial Act will protect these sacred symbols, which honor those who have given the ultimate sacrifice. This bill explicitly bars the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from removing Battlefield Crosses from our nation's national cemeteries, ensuring these memorial monuments may remain as tributes to our fallen soldiers.

NMVA believes this legislation is necessary as a result of memorials being removed from a small number of VA cemeteries last year. Although the memorials were returned, we believe that these incidents justify a law to protect these memorials and to prevent their removal in the future

The National Military and Veterans Alliance thanks you for introducing H.R. 1424. If we can provide any additional assistance to ensure passage of this bill, do not hesitate to contact us. We thank you for your leadership and your support of America's military and its veterans.

Sincerely,



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