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Leader Charles Schumer
1 Clinton Avenue
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Senator Kirsten Gillibrand
11A Clinton Avenue #821
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Leader Schumer and Senator Gillibrand,

I write to urge you to co-sponsor and help support S.677, The VSO Equal Tax Treatment (VETT) Act. This critical legislation would remedy and outdated statute currently limiting congest chartered 501(c)(19) veterans service organizations from receiving tax deductible charitable gifts.

Veteran Service Organizations (VSOs) like Amvets and the American Legion need this bill to pass this Congress to avoid detriments resulting from the acceptance of all honorably discharge veterans into their membership, regardless of the time in which they served.

VSOs are the more important to local New York veterans than ever before. They provide valuable resources and connect members of the military-veteran community and this bipartisan bill will help ensure their legacy continues.

Thank you in advance for your support of this important legislation.

Sincerely,

Angelo Santabarbara
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