



MARYLAND MILITARY COALITION

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Madam Chair Healey and honored members of the House Rules and Executive Nominations Committee. My name is John P. May, Secretary-Treasurer of the Maryland Military Coalition, representing 16 veteran service organizations and over 100,000 Maryland veterans.

I am also a retired Master Sergeant in the United States Air Force and while I did not serve in the Korean conflict, it's my and the Maryland Veteran's Coalition earnest opinion that we should honor those who fought and died during the Korean conflict.

At present there are 38,674 Maryland veterans who served in this tragic conflict. These numbers are dwindling almost daily. Many returned from this brutal three-year war permanently disabled yet they are better off than those who paid the ultimate sacrifice and did not come home.

The Maryland Military Coalition strongly believes it is time to recognize these brave service personnel and respectfully request a favorable report from this committee. We applaud Delegate Chang for his dedicated persistence in bringing this issue to appropriate prominence.

Your truly,

John May
Secretary-Treasurer
The Maryland Military Coalition