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Madam Chair Healey and members of the House Hules and Executive Nominations Committee,

The American Legion strongly support House Joint Resolution four (04). We feel it is way past time to honor those women from Maryland, some 60,000 who served, were held captive and, tragically, gave their lives on our behalf.

The creation of a commission to study the proposition for creation of a monument honoring women's service to this nation is timely and necessary for these female warriors and their families as well.

Passage of HJ 4 will allow these female service personnel to know their sacrifice was not in vain and they are appreciated by the public.

In representing over 48,000 active duty men and women, veterans from all wars and conflicts and their families—all Maryland residents—we respectfully request a favorable report on HJ 4 and commend Delegate Bagnall for her initiative in bringing this issue forward.

Respectfully, yours

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