Knowing of your concern about veterans, defense, and other important issues, I want to let you know of two pieces of legislation which I have cosponsored, and which I believe will be of particular interest to you.

H. Con. Res. 129 is a concurrent resolution to establish a Congressional Commission to be headed by Mr. H. Ross Perot. As you may know, in the past Mr. Perot has served as a member of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board and is well known for his efforts on behalf of Vietnam POWs. The purpose of the Commission is: 1) to complete investigation of information on POWs that has become available in recent years, and 2) to report to Congress on whether POWs remain imprisoned in Southeast Asia and what steps Congress should take should it be determined that POWs are still alive in that region. This legislation is currently being considered by the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Affairs.

I have also cosponsored H.R. 2588, which authorizes the erection of a memorial on federal land in Washington, D.C. to honor those who served in the Korean War. I believe that such recognition of the efforts of servicemen and women in the Korean War is long overdue. This bill has broad bipartisan support in the 99th Congress, and is currently pending in the House Administration Committee. A similar bill, H.R. 2205, passed the House on November 6 with my support. This legislation is currently pending Senate consideration.

I am strongly supportive of the provisions contained in these two bills. I am also enclosing a letter from Assistant Secretary of Defense Richard L. Armitage which I thought you might find of interest.

Please do not hesitate to contact me regarding any matters of concern to you.

Sincerely,

Steve Bartlett

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Member of Congress

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