

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO: C-3925

COUNCIL SPONSOR: FALCONER/BRISTER PROVIDED BY: PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

RESOLUTION TO URGE THE LOUISIANA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO SPONSOR AND SUPPORT HR 3789 AND HR 3790 RELATIVE TO ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT COMPENSATION BENEFITS.

WHEREAS, Section 403 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013 required reduction of any periodic increase in retired pay for those retired members of the armed services, including those retired because of a combat related disability, under the age of 62; and

WHEREAS, HR 3789, introduced by Congressman Jeff Miller of Florida would amend title 10, United States Code, to exempt the retired pay of certain disabled veterans from the reduced adjustment of retired pay and retainer pay amounts for retired members of the Armed Forces under age 62, to prevent any adverse impact of the reduced adjustment on annuities under the Survivor Benefit Plan based on retired or retainer pay, and for other purposes; and

WHEREAS, HR 3790, introduced by Congressman Jeff Miller of Florida would repeal the annual adjustment of retired pay and retainer pay amounts for retired members of the Armed Forces under age 62; and

WHEREAS, members and veterans of the United States Armed Forces, including present and former residents of St. Tammany Parish Louisiana, have served with honor and distinction. Their retirement, to include periodic cost of living increases, has been earned through valiant and faithful service, often at the expense of their health. Wounded and disabled service members, as well as other retired members, are dependent upon their benefits for sustenance; and

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Council recognizes the effort and sacrifices made by retired members of the armed forces and supports efforts to reinstate full retirement compensation; and

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Veterans and Military Affairs Advisory Council requests that the St. Tammany Parish Council urge the Louisiana Congressional delegation to sponsor and support HR 3789 and HR 3790.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES that the St Tammany Parish Councils requests that the Louisiana Congressional delegation sponsor and support HR 3789 and HR 3790.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be delivered to all members of the Louisiana Congressional delegation and the office of Congressman Jeff Miller of Florida.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE, THE VOTE THEREON WAS AS FOLLOWS:

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY: _____ SECONDED BY: _____

YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED ON THE 6 DAY OF FEBRUARY , 2014,
AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING
PRESENT AND VOTING.

R. REID FALCONER, AIA, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK

Administrative Comment

This resolution is at the request of St. Tammany's Veterans and Military Affairs Advisory Council.

HR 3789 will exempt retired pay of certain disabled veterans from the reduced adjustment of retired pay and retainer pay amounts for retired members of the Armed Forces under the age of 62.

HR 3790 will repeal the annual adjustment of retired pay and retainer pay amounts for retired members of the Armed Forces under the age of 62.

**ST. TAMMANY VETERANS AND MILITARY AFFAIRS ADVISORY COUNCIL
RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HR 3789 AND 3790 IN THE 113TH CONGRESS**

WHEREAS, Section 403 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013 required reduction of any periodic increase in retired pay for those retired members of the armed services, including those retired because of a combat related disability, under the age of 62;

WHEREAS HR 3789, introduced by Congressman Jeff Miller of Florida would amend Title 10, United States Code, to exempt the retired pay of certain disabled veterans from the reduced adjustment of retired pay and retainer pay amounts for retired members of the Armed Forces under age 62, to prevent any adverse impact of the reduced adjustment on annuities under the Survivor Benefit Plan based on retired or retainer pay, and for other purposes;

WHEREAS HR 3790, introduced by Congressman Jeff Miller of Florida would repeal the annual adjustment of retired pay and retainer pay amounts for retired members of the Armed Forces under age 62;

WHEREAS members and veterans of the United States Armed Forces, including present and former residents of St. Tammany Parish Louisiana, have served with honor and distinction. Their retirement, to include periodic cost of living increases, has been earned through valiant and faithful service, often at the expense of their health. Wounded and disabled service members, as well as other retired members, are dependent upon their benefits for sustenance;

WHEREAS the St. Tammany Veterans and Military Affairs Advisory Council recognizes that military pay is lower than comparable civilian pay and that the retirement pay is often considered deferred compensation;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

That the St. Tammany Veterans and Military Affairs Advisory Council recognizes the effort and sacrifices made by retired members of the armed forces and supports efforts to reinstate full retirement compensation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the St. Tammany Veterans and Military Affairs Advisory Council requests that the St. Tammany Parish Council urge the Louisiana Congressional delegation to sponsor, support and cast their votes in favor of HR 3789 and HR 3790.

ENACTED BY voice vote this 14th day of January 2014.


Secretary