

The Uniformed Service Member's Voice in Government
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR UNIFORMED SERVICES
Hawaii Chapter (HI-1)

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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE RESOLUTION 19
URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO RESTORE THE
PRESUMPTION OF A SERVICE CONNECTION FOR AGENT ORANGE
EXPOSURE TO UNITED STATES VETERANS WHO SERVED IN THE
WATERS DEFINED BY THE COMBAT ZONE AND IN THE AIRSPACE OVER
THE COMBAT ZONE IN VIETNAM.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS, MILITARY, & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, &
CULTURE AND THE ARTS

HEARING ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH, AT 8:30 AM
IN CONFERENCE ROOM 312

Aloha Chair Takai and Vice Chair Ito: Thank you for providing this opportunity to testify in support of House Resolution 19 (HR19). On Capitol Hill the National Association for Uniformed Services (NAUS) is well known as "The Service Member's Voice in Government." Here, in the great State of Hawaii, NAUS Hawaii Chapter (HI-1) serves at the will and pleasure of our nation's largest per-capita uniformed service personnel and veterans community.

NAUS Hawaii Chapter (HI-1) members are extremely grateful for this thoughtful effort, calling on members of our Congressional Delegation to introduce/support legislation that will restore the presumed Agent Orange exposure service connection, for our veterans who served their country selflessly, in Vietnam War combat zone' waters and airspace.

With HR19, Hawaii, once again proudly expresses its steadfast support for our nation's largest per-capita veteran/military personnel community. These summarily forgotten Vietnam warriors sincerely appreciate your concern for their welfare, now that they are at an advancing age, when numerous officially recognized symptoms of Agent Orange related disease and illness are taking their toll on them.

Our Chapter members, their affected comrades-in-arms and families very respectfully encourage you to pass HR19, as written.

At your service,

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