April 11, 2019

The Honorable Cheri Bustos  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Greg Gianforte  
United States House of Representatives  
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The Honorable Cindy Axne  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Greg Balderson  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representatives Bustos, Gianforte, Axne, and Balderson:

As the oldest nursing organization in the United States, the National League for Nursing (NLN) would like to thank you for introducing the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps Service Recognition Act (H.R. 2056). The NLN promotes excellence in nursing education to build a strong and diverse nursing workforce to advance the health of the nation and the global community. The League represents more than 1,200 nursing schools, 40,000 members, and 25 regional constituent leagues.

In the midst of World War II, a severe shortage of trained nurses threatened the nation’s ability to meet domestic and military health care needs. Women from across the country joined the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps during World War II to provide care to Americans in need. The NLN wholeheartedly supports your efforts to ensure the contributions of former Cadet Nurse Corps members are fully recognized with honorable discharges, ribbon and medal privileges, and certain burial privileges.

Again, thank you for your introduction of the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps Service Recognition Act. If the NLN can be of any assistance or should you have any questions, please contact Christine Murphy, the NLN’s director of public policy and advocacy, at cmurphy@nln.org or 202-909-2533.

Sincerely,

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