

House Committee on Veterans Affairs Holds Press Conference on H.R. 299, Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2019

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Chairman Takano, Ranking Member Dr. Roe Champion Bipartisan Effort To Extend Benefits Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Before Historic Vote On House Floor

WASHINGTON, D.C. – On Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at 6:00 pm EST the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs Chairman Mark Takano and Ranking Member Dr. Phil Roe will hold a press conference with Veteran Service Organizations to champion H.R. 299, the bipartisan Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act, which is scheduled for a historic vote on the floor of the House of Representatives Tuesday.

WHO: Chairman Mark Takano
Ranking Member Dr. Phil Roe
Representative Elaine Luria
Representative Mike Bost
Representative Gus Bilirakis
Representative Amata Coleman Radewagen
Representative Andy Barr
Representative Daniel Meuser
Shane Liermann, Assistant National Legislative Director, Disabled American Veterans
Carlos Fuentes, National Legislative Service Director, Veterans of Foreign Wars
Aleks Morosky, National Legislative Director, Military Order of the Purple Heart
Additional Members TBD & Subject to Change

WHAT: Bipartisan Members of Congress hold press conference with Veteran Service Organizations ahead of a historic vote on Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2019.

WHEN: 6:00pm ET, Tuesday, May 14, 2019

WHERE: House Triangle on the Capitol's East Front, Washington, D.C. 20515

Note: The press conference will be live streamed on the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs Facebook page.

Background: The Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2019 will extend benefits to servicemembers that served in the territorial waters off the coast of Vietnam and were exposed to Agent Orange. This was the first bill Chairman Takano introduced this Congress after a similar bill was passed unanimously in the House of Representatives last Congress but stalled in the Senate. This legislation will ensure tens of thousands of Vietnam veterans finally get the benefits they've earned and deserve.