



# TOWN OF LEDYARD CONNECTICUT

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**DRAFT**

Senator Martin Looney, President of the Senate  
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Senator Cathy Osten  
Legislative Office Building  
300 Capital Avenue; Room 2700  
Hartford, Connecticut 06106-1591

Dear Senator Looney and Senator Osten:

On behalf of the Ledyard Town Council, I write to transmit Resolution #003-2026/Mar 11 (a), adopted by the Town Council, expressing our support for Raised House Bill #5407, "*An Act Concerning State Reimbursement to Municipalities for Revenue Lost Due to the Property Tax Exemption for Veterans with a One Hundred Percent Permanent and Total Disability Rating.*"

The Town of Ledyard proudly supports the men and women who have served in the United States Armed Forces and especially those veterans who have sustained permanent and total service-connected disabilities in defense of our nation. Public Act #24-45 represents an important recognition of those sacrifices, and our community strongly supports the intent of the exemption established under that legislation.

As a neighboring community to Naval Submarine Base New London and other regional military installations, Ledyard is home to many active-duty service members, veterans, and military families who contribute greatly to the fabric of our town. We remain deeply committed to supporting those who have served our country.

At the same time, the fiscal impact of this exemption is currently borne entirely by municipalities. As the number of qualifying veterans increases, the resulting loss of local property tax revenue places increasing pressure on municipal budgets and local taxpayers.

Raised House Bill #5407 provides a responsible and balanced solution by establishing a mechanism for the full reimbursement of municipalities for revenue losses attributable to the exemption. This approach ensures that Connecticut's commitment to its most severely disabled veterans remains strong while also ensuring that the cost of that commitment is shared equitably across the state.

The Ledyard Town Council respectfully urges the Connecticut General Assembly to support Raised House Bill #5407 during the current legislative session.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Gary St. Vil  
Town Council Chairman

cc: Senator Anthony Nolan  
Senator Martha Marx  
Representative Brian Lanoue  
Representative Greg Howard  
Representative Larry Pemberton  
Courtney Cullinan, Chief of Staff  
Members of the Veterans and Military Affairs Committee

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Town of Ledyard Support for Raised House Bill #5407

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