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Ledyard Town Council  
741 Colonel Ledyard Highway  
Ledyard, CT 06339

Dear Chairwoman Rodriguez and members of the Ledyard Town Council,

I am writing today because I recently had a constituent from Ledyard reach out to me regarding tax relief she was seeking from the town as a Gold Star spouse. She was unfortunately unable to obtain said relief as the town has not implemented a property tax exemption for Gold Star parents and spouses.

While the state statute that establishes this municipal tax relief option is permissive, I believe that it would be worthwhile for Ledyard to consider implementing such tax relief as a way to honor those veterans and their families who have sacrificed so much for us all.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Catherine A. Osten".

Cathy Osten  
State Senator, 19<sup>th</sup> District

CC:  
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