



January 31, 2017

The Honorable Johnny Isakson
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The Honorable Jon Tester
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Dear Chairman Isakson and Ranking Member Tester,

In the military, “got your six” means “I’ve got your back.” As a coalition, Got Your 6 works to integrate that commitment of support into popular culture, engage veterans and civilians together to foster understanding and empower veterans to lead in their communities. Got Your 6 knows that veterans leave the military seeking new challenges and we fight to ensure there are opportunities for them to continue their service while receiving the care and support they need.

We believe that when the Department of Veterans Affairs is successful, veterans are successful. That’s why during Dr. David Shulkin’s time as VA Under Secretary Health, Got Your 6 worked closely with him to reform VA while putting veterans first. Over that time, Dr. Shulkin helped propel VA along a transformational path that sets the current administration up for success. While Dr. Shulkin does not have our shared experience of military service, he has demonstrated his unwavering commitment of serving our veterans and our nation through his work at the VA.

Dr. Shulkin understands the needs of veterans and our desire to transform VA into a model agency. We look forward to working with Dr. Shulkin, his staff, and the entire Trump Administration to ensure that the reforms that have taken place over the last two years move forward and that veterans are continued to be put first. We proudly support his nomination and hope for a swift confirmation to become the ninth United States Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'WJ Rausch', written in a cursive style.

William J. Rausch
Executive Director
Got Your 6