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World Vision
Elizabeth Luras
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Dear Ms. Luras,

Congratulations on taking first runner-up at the Ms. Veteran America contest in Leesburg, VA and for receiving the Ms. Resilience Award. As a veteran yourself, you understand the struggles that complicate life during and after one's military service. With that knowledge you have become an advocate for veterans around our great nation.

Your endeavors to help military sexual trauma (MST) survivors and other veterans have paved an incredible pathway for your attainment of multiple well deserved awards. I also commend you on extending your efforts to include volunteering as a National Veterans Suicide Intervention advocate and serving as a board member for a Women Veterans Advocacy nonprofit organization.

Please continue to help our nation's veterans get back on their feet as they make the transition to civilian life. As you mentor veterans, help them apply for benefits and direct them to appropriate services that might fit their needs, please feel free to contact my office if we can be of any assistance. You have had many incredible achievements after your transition to civilian life and I am excited to see your next achievement.

Thank you for your service to our great nation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D. Reichert". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "D" and a cursive "Reichert".

David G. Reichert
Member of Congress
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