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If you or a loved one is serving or has served in the United States Armed Forces, we urge you to let our Armed Services and Veterans Affairs Committee know. Please give us your name and/or your loved one's name, the branch of service with which you and/or they served, and dates of service, if known.

The Armed Services & Veterans Affairs Committee meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 8:00pm, virtually via Zoom. The Meeting ID: 98644484903, Password: 2526 and the link is: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89644484903

If you have any questions or concerns, I can be reached at 216-324-1332 or veteransaffairs@omnaacp.org. We thank you for your service and sacrifice and look forward to serving you through this committee in return.

Very truly yours,

Sean P. Ruffin
Armed Services and Veterans Affairs Committee

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