



Independent Women Supports the Confirmation of Pete Hegseth as Secretary of Defense

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Dear Senators,

Independent Women, which advances policies that enhance opportunity and well-being, fully supports the confirmation of Pete Hegseth to serve as Secretary of Defense. President Trump deserves the team he wants so that he can carry out the directive given to him by the American people.

Mr. Hegseth's clear commitment to refocusing the Department of Defense on warfighting and lethality is critically necessary. With his Army National Guard experience and deployments, Mr. Hegseth understands the needs and demands of those with their "boots on the ground."

Independent Women is proud to support the nomination of such a committed patriot to Secretary of Defense. We urge senators to provide Pete Hegseth with a fair and respectful hearing and to confirm him as Secretary of Defense.

Respectfully,

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Heather R. Higgins
CEO
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Carrie Lukas
Vice President
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