

Washington, DC – Congressman Todd Akin, Chairman of the Seapower & Projection Forces Subcommittee, today released a letter to Senate leadership calling for the inclusion of language protecting traditional marriage on the National Defense Authorization Act. The letter was signed by 86 members of the House, calling for language similar to the Akin amendment that was carried on the House version of the National Defense Authorization Act.

“The Defense of Marriage Act was passed by a bipartisan vote in Congress and signed into law by President Clinton,” said Congressman Akin. “Unfortunately, this current administration is now directing the Department of Defense to ignore this law and perform gay marriages on military bases. I think this is wrong, which is why I offered an amendment to the House-passed defense bill making it clear that DOMA applies to the DOD. This letter calls for the Senate to add a similar amendment to their version of the bill. The Department of Defense should not be allowed to simply ignore laws they do not like.”

The letter is attached and a list of signing members is below.

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LA

Paul

Broun

GA

Dan

Burton

IN

Mike

Coffman

CO

Mike

Conaway

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Rick

Crawford

AR

Geoff

Davis

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Duncan

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Renee

Ellmers

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Fincher

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Chuck

Fleischmann

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Gingrey

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Graves

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Harper

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Andy

Harris

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Hartzler

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