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Memo: Statement for the VA Health Subcommittee Hearing

Thank you, Chairwoman Brownley and Ranking Member Bergman for holding this important legislative hearing to examine patient safety within the Veterans Health Administration.

This past year, Reta Mays was sentenced for the murder of seven veterans at the Louis A. Johnson VA Medical Center by intentionally injecting them with lethal amounts of insulin. This is sickening and completely unacceptable. Congress must do everything it can to hold the VA accountable, ensure transparency, and improve protocols that uphold patient safety.

Our veterans have sacrificed so much for our country, and too often the VA has let them down. They deserve better. Congress must work to reform the VA and provide oversight, so our veterans have a peace of mind and restored confidence every time they go to a VA facility.

Sincerely,



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