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Regarding: SCR7 and the Federal REAL ID Act of February 2023

I retired as the Director of Plans at Life Cycle Management Center, WPAFB in May of 2012, after 36 years of AF civilian service. I served with Mr. Beach in the 4950th Test wing from 1978 to 1985 and flew numerous missions during the cold war. As the Mission Commander/Coordinator in the ARIA EC-135 aircraft, I commanded cold war telemetry missions all over the globe. We Test Wing civilians risked our lives right beside our Officer and Enlisted crew mates.

It was a severe insult to our service and dedication to the Air Force when the DoD, under the last administration, removed civilian AF IDs from us. This placed us in a position of being unable to access military bases and installations that we often use. I personally utilize my status as a retired AF GS-15 for available quarters when I am traveling, recreation facilities to include wellness centers, golf and hiking courses, and others. Removing my ID and base access has terminated my use of these earned benefits.

If the rationale for removing ID cards from retirees is the cost to produce the cards, please allow us to purchase them. I will bear the cost of the production of the card.

Please vote yes on SCR7 to urge Congress to reissue ID cards to us civilian retirees. This policy of ID removal and denied base access is shameful.

Sincerely,

Steven Davis