



### **Coalition and Valued Associates Advocacy and Actions...**

The Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission (MCRMC) will be conducting public hearings and a town hall meeting on Wednesday, June 25, in the vicinity of Fort Bragg and Pope Army Airfield. The public hearings will take place from 10AM-5PM at the Embassy Suites, 4760 Lake Valley Drive, Fayetteville, North Carolina 28303. The town hall meeting is scheduled from 7PM-9PM at the same location. These meetings and town hall are open and accessible to the general public, including individuals with disabilities.

The Commission will hear testimony from senior commanders of local military commands and their senior enlisted advisors; unit commanders and their family support groups; local medical and education community representatives; and dining facilities, grocery, and other quality of life organizations. The Commission also wants to hear from Service members, veterans, retirees, their beneficiaries and other interested parties regarding pay, retirement, health benefits, and quality of life programs to include commissary and exchange benefits. For further information and to access the agenda, visit: <http://www.mcrmc.gov/public/docs/publichearings/Notice-of-Public-Hearings-25-Jun-Bragg.pdf>.

The Coalition and our valued associate partners continue to encourage service members and their families to attend these public hearings and town hall meetings, and to share their opinions and concerns with the Commission. In addition to holding these public forums, the Commission is also seeking input from service members and their families through a survey being sent out over the next couple of months, and by leaving comments on the Commission website at: <http://www.mcrmc.gov/index.php/public-comments>.

The Coalition is encouraging Save Our Benefit members to take the survey, leave comments on the MCRMC website, and to let the Commission know how important their commissary and exchange benefits are to them and their family. We have also shared this information with our valued associates and have encouraged them to share it with their members as well.