



July 2, 2021

The Honorable Victoria Spartz
5th Congressional District of Indiana
1523 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Sylvia Garcia
29th Congressional District of Texas
1620 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congresswoman Spartz and Congresswoman Garcia,

On behalf of the 2.35 million members of AMAC – Association of Mature American Citizens, I write to offer our support for your legislation that was recently passed by the House of Representatives, H.R. 2922, the *Elder Abuse Protection Act*.

As an organization representing Americans who are age 50-plus, AMAC regularly hears from our members of the attempts by nefarious individuals and organizations to steal their identities and other fraudulent financial scams that could rob them of their limited retirement income. We have also heard of our members' experiences with the maltreatment and negligence of their elderly loved ones, particularly during the Covid-19 lockdown.

H.R. 2922 would codify the Elder Justice Initiative, which was established by the Trump Administration, and make permanent the coordination of efforts to combat elder abuse. Your bill provides the necessary oversight and training for the legal and law enforcement communities, medical professionals, and other first responders to ensure cases of elder abuse, neglect, and fraud are managed appropriately.

Thank you, Congresswoman Spartz and Congresswoman Garcia, and your bipartisan co-sponsors, for working together to create compassionate legislation that protects America's seniors and helps them to live their retirement years with dignity and respect. AMAC is pleased to offer our association's full support for H.R. 2922, the *Elder Abuse Protection Act*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bob Carlston". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

President, AMAC Action