

Washington, DC— On Sunday, Rep. Steve Israel's (D – Huntington) resolution honoring Cold War Veterans (H.Res.900) passed in the House of Representatives. The resolution supports the goals and ideals of a Cold War Veterans Recognition Day to honor the sacrifices and contributions made by members of the Armed Forces during the Cold War.

“Our Cold War Veterans answered President Kennedy’s call as we embarked on a path full of hazards. They maintained and defended missile silos and checkpoints. They served on remote B-52 bomber bases and storm-tossed Navy ships. And when they returned, there were no parades, no public thanks, they went quietly into their jobs,” said Rep. Israel. “Today we say thank you to our Cold War Veterans who kept the world safe, who kept the peace, who saved the world from an unimaginable nuclear catastrophe.”

Rep. Israel has been an advocate for veterans, securing more than \$3.4 million in back payments for Long Island veterans, supporting improvements for veterans health care and other veterans benefits, and introducing legislation to help homeless veterans.

Rep. Israel serves on the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs. He previously served on the House Armed Services Committee.