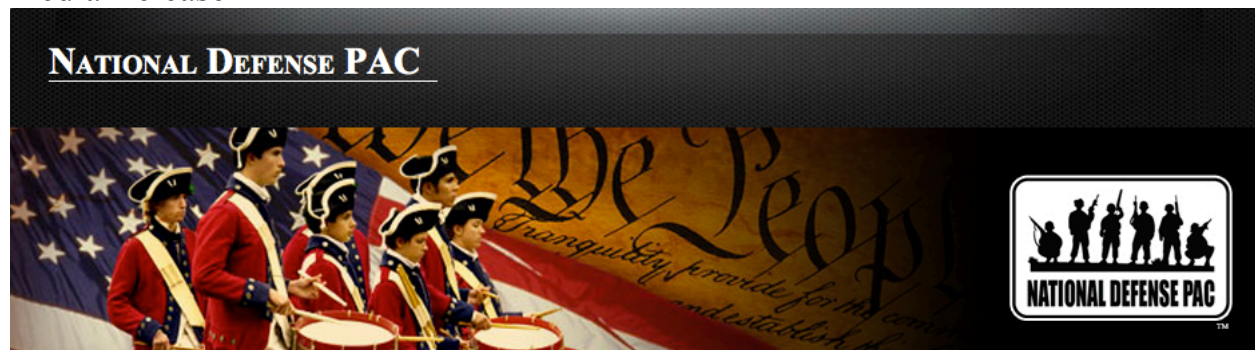


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WASHINGTON, D.C -- **NATIONAL DEFENSE PAC** today announces with pride its endorsement of **Lt. Colonel Dan Matthews, US Air Force Reserve** (ret) for election to the United States Congress, representing the state of **Washington's 2nd District**. Dan's military career spanned a total of 22 years including Operation Desert Storm and Viet Nam serving seven years on active duty in the US Air Force and 15 years in the USAF Reserves. **NATIONAL DEFENSE PAC Chairman Rear Admiral James J. Carey, USN (ret)** stated, "The State of Washington could not do better than to send Dan Matthews to the House of Representatives. His leadership, professional accomplishments, and community efforts have established his reputation as a person who is prepared to handle the problems facing our nation. Dan has the knowledge and experience to review Department of Defense activities and make meaningful and logical legislative decisions regarding the budget constraints facing our country."

Lt. Colonel Matthews served as a pilot achieving 3,000+ hours with the 86th Military Airlift Squadron, flying the C-141 jet transport including service in Vietnam and Southeast Asia. He flew multiple flights into combat areas as an airlift pilot, totaling at least eight missions including the Vietnamese Refugee Airlift at the end of the war in the Spring of 1975. In 1990 for Operation Desert Storm, he was serving as Squadron Safety Officer when he flew at least 14 missions.

His Military Awards and Decorations include Defense Service Medal; SE Asia Service Medal, The Meritorious Service Medal, The Air Force Commendation Medal, The Aerial Achievement Medal, Outstanding Unit Citation, Expert Marksmanship (pistol).

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