

Washington, DC- Congressman King released the following statement after his Defense of Marriage Act amendment passed on the House floor today. The amendment will require that no money spent on our military will be used to violate the Defense of Marriage Act.

"The military is an entity of the federal government, and federal law states that marriage is between a man and a woman," said King. "Despite this, the Obama administration has allowed same sex marriages to occur on military bases. These marriages violate the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA). My amendment prohibits the use of both military funds and facilities for same-sex marriages.

DOMA was passed by overwhelming majorities in the House and Senate and signed by President Clinton in 1996 and has been the law of the land since that time. But President Obama has ignored it. My amendment is a much needed solution to a problem started by an administration that's prone to ignoring the law - and the American people are through with the law taking a back seat to the President's political whims."