## **COVID RELIEF NOW COALITION**

September 30, 2020

The Honorable Mitch McConnell Majority Leader United States Senate S-230, The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Charles Schumer Minority Leader United States Senate S-221, The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20510 The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker United States House of Representatives H-232, The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy Minority Leader United States House of Representatives H-204, The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Speaker Pelosi, Leader McConnell, Leader Schumer and Leader McCarthy,

We are writing to implore you to reach a bipartisan deal on legislation to prevent catastrophic economic harm that would result if Congress does not pass additional emergency relief before adjourning for the election. Support for furloughed or laid off employees, critical infrastructure, small businesses, educational institutions, first responders, and all state and local governments that are addressing the ongoing public health and economic impacts of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic are priorities we strongly believe require an immediate and unified response from our federal government.

The undersigned groups represent a diverse cross section of our country and our economy, with the public and private sectors coming together to respectfully demand that Democrats and Republicans alike come together to pass additional COVID economic relief legislation.

Our employees, businesses, and constituents cannot wait for additional federal aid to come in December 2020 or March 2021. If Congress fails to act, millions of employees will be furloughed or terminated; millions of unemployed Americans will lose their unemployment insurance pandemic benefits; hundreds of thousands of companies will be at risk of closing their doors forever; and the vast majority of state and local governments will have to curtail critical services in order to balance budgets due to a decline in tax revenue.

This is a pivotal moment. Congress needs to rise to the occasion and cast partisanship aside to provide a lifeline to get through this pandemic. Congress' failure to act now will result in negative economic ramifications that will reverberate for decades.

Thank you for your continued hard work and tireless leadership during these unprecedented times.

Sincerely,

The COVID RELIEF NOW Coalition (Signatory list below)

cc: The Honorable Steven Mnuchin The Honorable Mark Meadows Airlines for America

Airport Ground Transportation Association

Alabama Restaurant & Hospitality Association

Alabama Tourism Partnership, Inc.

Alabama Travel Council, Inc.

Alaska Hotel & Lodging Association

American Association of Airport Executives

American Bus Association

American Dental Association

American Gaming Association

American Hotel & Lodging Association

American Lighting Association

American Mold Builders Association

American Supply Association

American Veterinary Medical Association

Arizona Lodging & Tourism Association

Arkansas Hospitality Association

Asian American Hotels Owners Association

**Building America's Future** 

California Hotel & Lodging Association

California Retailers Association

Casino Association of Indiana

Central Missouri Independent Electrical Contractors Association

Central Pennsylvania Chapter of Independent Electrical

Contractors

Central Tex Chapter Independent Electrical Contractors

Club Management Association of America

Colorado Hotel & Lodging Association

Commercial Food Equipment Service Association

Community Leaders of America

Connecticut Lodging Association

Convenience Distribution Association

**Deadwood Gaming Association** 

Delaware Hotel & Lodging Association

**Events Industry Council** 

Florida Restaurant & Lodging Association

Florida Retail Federation

Florida West Coast Chapter of Independent Electrical Contractors

Foodservice Equipment Distributors Association

Georgia Chapter, Independent Electrical Contractors, Inc.

Georgia Hotel & Lodging Association

Georgia Retailers

Global Business Travel Association

Global Cold Chain Alliance

Go LIVE Together

Golf Course Superintendents Association of America

**GOPAC Education Fund** 

Hospitality Maine

Hospitality Minnesota

Hotel Association of New York City

Hotel Association of Washington DC

Illinois Casino Gaming Association

Illinois Hotel & Lodging Association

Illinois Retail Merchants Association

**Independent Bakers Association** 

**Independent Electrical Contractors** 

Independent Electrical Contractors Dakotas, Inc

Independent Electrical Contractors, Atlanta Chapter, Inc.

**Independent Show Organizers** 

Indiana Restaurant & Lodging Association

Indiana Retail Council

International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions

International Association of Exhibitions and Events

International Association of Venue Managers

**International Council of Shopping Centers** 

International Franchise Association

**Iowa Gaming Association** 

Kansas Chamber

Kansas Retail Council

Latino Hotel Association

Livingston County Convention and Visitors Bureau

Louisiana Association of Convention and Visitors Bureaus

Louisiana Travel Association

Maryland Association of Chain Drug Stores

Maryland Food Industry Council

Maryland Hotel & Lodging Association

Maryland Retailers Association

Massachusetts Lodging Association

Meeting Professionals International

Michigan Restaurant & Lodging Association

Michigan Retailers Association

Mississippi Hospitality & Gaming Association

Missouri Retailers Association

Missouri Tire Industry Association

Montana Lodging & Hospitality Association

National Airport Parking Industry Trade Association

National Association of Black Hotel Owners, Operators and

**Developers** 

National Association of Counties

National Association of Theatre Owners

National Association of Trailer Manufacturers

National Association of Women Business Owners

National Automatic Merchandising Association

National Club Association

National Community Pharmacists Association

National Conference for State Legislatures

National Council of State Legislators

National Employment Opprotunity Network

National Federation of Independent Business

National Fisheries Institute

National Golf Course Owners Association

National Governors Association

National Independent Talent Organization

National Independent Venue Association

National League of Cities

National Parking Association

National Ready Mixed Concrete Association

National Restaurant Association

National Small Business Association

National Tooling and Machining Association

Near Airport Parking Industry Trade Association

Nebraska Hotel & Lodging Association

Nevada Hotel & Lodging Association

Nevada Resort Association

New Hampshire Retail Association

New Jersey Chapter of Independent Electrical Contractors

New Jersey Hotel & Lodging Association

New York State Hospitality & Tourism Association

New York State Tourism Industry Association

North American Association of Food Equipment Manufacturers

North American Die Casting Association

North Carolina Restaurant and Lodging Association

North Carolina Retail Merchants Association

Northwest Pennsylvania Independent Electrical Contractors

Ohio Hotel & Lodging Association

Ohio Travel Association

Oklahoma Hotel & Lodging Association

Oklahoma Retail Merchants Association

Oregon Restaurant & Lodging Association

Pennsylvania Restaurant & Lodging Association

Pet Industry Distributors Association

Portland Cement Association

**Precision Machined Products Association** 

Precision Metalforming Association

**Produce Marketing Association** 

Professional Beauty Association

Recording Academy

Regulatory Management Counselors, P.C.

Retail Association of Maine

Retail Council of New York State

Retail Merchants of Hawaii

Retailers Association of Massachusetts

Rhode Island Hospitality Association

Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors National

Association

Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council

Small Business Council of America

Small Business for America's Future

Small Business Legislative Council

Society of Independent Show Organizers

South Carolina Restaurant & Lodging Association

South Dakota Grocers Association

South Dakota Hospitality Association

South Dakota Restaurant Association

South Dakota Retailers Association

Sports & Fitness Industry Association

St. Louis Area Hotel Association

Student and Youth Travel Association

Tennessee Hospitality & Tourism Association

Texas Hotel & Lodging Association

**Texas Retailers Association** 

The American Society of Travel Advisors

The Association For Manufacturing Technology

The Worldwide Cleaning Industry Association

**Travel Goods Association** 

**Travel Oregon** 

Travel Technology Association

Tri State Jewelers Association

United States Conference of Mayors

**United States Travel Association** 

**Utah Tourism Industry Association** 

Vermont Chamber of Commerce

Virginia Restaurant, Lodging, and Travel Association

Virginia Retail Federation

Virginia Retail Merchants Association

Virginia Wineries Association

Washington Hospitality Association Washington Retail Association West Virginia Hospitality & Travel Association Wisconsin Hotel & Lodging Association Wyoming Lodging & Restaurant Association