The President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20500

The Honorable Charles Schumer Senate Democratic Leader United States Senate Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

April 29, 2019

Dear Mr. President, Madam Speaker, and Senate Democratic Leader Schumer:

As representatives for millions of businesses and American workers who rely on sound infrastructure to move and grow our economy, we are grateful that you will soon meet to discuss transportation infrastructure funding. Solving the deepening infrastructure crisis requires strong leadership, and this moment creates an opportunity to build a lasting legacy that the American people will see, feel, and use for decades to come.

Attached is a letter signed by more than 330 organizations who represent a wide array of business and labor interests across the U.S. They cut across the political spectrum, forming an enormous base of support for a bipartisan infrastructure funding bill. Potholes and traffic congestion do not discriminate by political party.

We are hopeful your meeting will put America on course to achieving the long-term, stable and sufficient funding that our crumbling transportation infrastructure desperately needs. Revitalizing our infrastructure would raise the quality of life for all Americans, create good, well-paying American jobs, and serve as a critical component to maintaining our economic prosperity and competiveness around the world.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Donohue President & CEO

United States Chamber of Commerce

Chris Spear President & CEO American Trucking

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Associations

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President AFL-CIO

April 11, 2019

The Honorable Peter DeFazio Chairman Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure United States House of Representatives The Honorable Richard Neal Chairman Committee on Ways & Means United States House of Representatives

Chairmen DeFazio and Neal:

Thank you for your commitment to addressing the growing national crisis caused by our country's decaying infrastructure. We commend you for holding meaningful hearings to shine a light on the negative impact that chronic underinvestment in infrastructure is having on our economy and the safety of the motoring public. The time is now to move forward on much overdue infrastructure modernization.

If the United States is to continue to be that "shining city on a hill" in this century – that beacon of hope and opportunity around the world for anyone who aspires for a better life – then the roads, bridges and transit systems into that city cannot be marked with potholes, collapsing bridges and failing track. America's economic and social strength throughout the 20th century was driven by investments in infrastructure championed by Presidents Roosevelt, Eisenhower and Reagan. However, that leadership position is now threatened by inaction on the much-needed modernization of an infrastructure network essential to continue our nation's global dominance.

The undersigned associations and organizations, representing the men and women of both American business and labor, urge you to act on the immediate need to fix our nation's crumbling infrastructure. We stand prepared to work side-by side with Congress and the Administration to get this much needed job done.

We urge you to move forward and take bold action now; waiting is not an option. We urge you to look to the 35 state legislatures and governors who have shown it is not only possible to fund infrastructure, but it is a winning political issue. As you continue down this legislative process, we support these core basic principles for the infrastructure legislation you are developing:

- It must address the current crisis and invest in the future:
- It must be funded with real money, not gimmicks;
- It must provide the vision and the bridge to ensure that transportation in five, 10 or 20 years has an appropriate system of user fees and funding that matches the vehicles and society of that future;
- It must provide resiliency of our transportation networks; and
- It must support the jobs of today and the future with funding and programs to match.

The last President to increase the federal user fee on fuel was Bill Clinton, and the last to directly appeal to the country to fund infrastructure was Ronald Reagan. We call on you now to show that same political courage and offer you the strong support of our organizations and the millions of Americans who are depending on you.

Sincerely,

National Organizations

AFL-CIO

Agriculture & Food Transporters Conference American Apparel & Footwear Association

American Association of Port Authorities

American Concrete Pavement Association

American Council of Engineering Companies

American Iron and Steel Institute

American Public Transportation Association

American Road & Transportation Builders

Association

American Society of Civil Engineers

American Trucking Associations

Associated Equipment Distributors

Associated General Contractors

Associated Wire Rope Fabricators

Association For Manufacturing Technology

Association of Equipment Manufacturers

Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations

Automobile Carriers Conference

CCIM Institute

Coalition for America's Gateways and Trade

Corridors

Government Freight Conference

Intermodal Association of North America

Intermodal Motor Carriers Conference

International Union of Operating Engineers

International Warehouse Logistics Association

Laborers International Union of North America

National Asphalt Pavement Association

National Association of Counties

National Association of County Engineers

National Association of Manufacturers

National Association of Surety Bond Producers

National Association of Trailer Manufacturers

National Association of Wholesaler-Distributors

National Lime Association

National Ready Mixed Concrete Association

National Retail Federation

National Stone, Sand and Gravel Association

National Tank Truck Carriers

Portland Cement Association

Retail Industry Leaders Association

The Toy Association

United Fresh Produce Association

United States Chamber of Commerce

State and Local Organizations

Alabama Trucking Association, Inc.

Alaska Trucking Association, Inc.

Alliance for Alabama's Infrastructure

Ames Chamber of Commerce

Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce

AR State Chamber/AIA

Arizona Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Arizona Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Arizona Manufacturers Council

Arizona Trucking Association

Arkansas Trucking Association

Association of Washington Business

Auburn Chamber of Commerce

Aurora Chamber of Commerce

Baton Rouge Area Chamber

Baytown Chamber of Commerce

Billings Chamber of Commerce

Boise Metro Chamber

Bolingbrook Area Chamber of Commerce

Bozeman Area Chamber of Commerce

Brewster Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

Buckeye Valley Chamber of Commerce

Buffalo Niagara Partnership

Business Council of Alabama

Caldwell Chamber

California Association of Boutique & Breakfast

Inns

California Hotel & Lodging Association

California Trucking Association

Cape Cod Canal Region Chamber

Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce

Cape Girardeau Area Chamber of Commerce

Capital Region Chamber

Carson City Chamber of Commerce

Cedar Rapids Metro Economic Alliance

Central Maryland Chamber

Chamber of Commerce Hawaii

Chamber of Commerce of West Alabama

Chamber Southwest Louisiana

Chamber630

Chandler Chamber of Commerce

Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce

Chattanooga Chamber of Commerce

Chemung County Chamber of Commerce

Chester county chamber

Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber

City of Jerome

Cleveland County Chamber

Cleveland-Bolivar County Chamber of Commerce

Coeur d'Alene Chamber of Commerce

Colorado Competitive Council

Colorado Motor Carriers Association Columbia Chamber of Commerce Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce Delaware Motor Transport Assoc. Inc. Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce Dooly County Chamber of Commerce Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce Dunwoody Perimeter Chamber

Eastham Chamber of Commerce

Economic Alliance Snohomish County

Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce

Encinitas Chamber of Commerce Falmouth Chamber of Commerce Ferndale Chamber of Commerce Florida Chamber of Commerce Florida Trucking Association, Inc.

Fort Bend Chamber Forward Janesville, Inc.

Fredericksburg Regional Chamber of Commerce

Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce Georgia Motor Trucking Association, Inc.

Gilbert Chamber of Commerce Glendale Chamber of Commerce

Glendora Chamber Legislative Action Committee

Granbury Chamber of Commerce Grand Rapids Area Chamber Greater Augusta Regional Chamber Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce

Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce Greater Cheyenne Chamber of Commerce

Greater Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce

Greater Des Moines Partnership

Greater Gardner Chamber of Commerce

Greater Green Bay Chamber Greater Houston Partnership

Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce

Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce

Greater Louisville Inc.

Greater North Dakota Chamber Greater Oklahoma City Chamber

Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce Greater Port Arthur Chamber of Commerce Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce

Greater Reading Chamber Alliance

Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce

Greater Summerville/Dorchester County Chamber

of Commerce

Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce Greater Topeka Chamber of Commerce Greeley Area Chamber of Commerce Hancock County Chamber of Commerce Hanover Area Chamber of Commerce Harford County Chamber of Commerce

Harwich Chamber of Commerce Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce

HDR Engineering, Inc.

Helena Area Chamber of Commerce Henderson Chamber of Commerce

Henderson County Chamber of Commerce

Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce

Hotel Association of Los Angeles

Household & Commercial Products Association

Hudson County Chamber of Commerce

Hyannis Chamber of Commerce

Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry

Idaho Trucking Association Illinois Chamber of Commerce Illinois Trucking Association, Inc. Indiana Chamber of Commerce Indiana Motor Truck Association, Inc.

Iowa Motor Truck Association, Inc. Jackson County Area Chamber of Commerce

Jefferson Chamber of Commerce

Johnson City/Jonesborough/Washington County

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Joliet Region Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Kalispell Chamber of Commerce Kansas Motor Carriers Association Kentucky Chamber of Commerce Kentucky Trucking Association, Inc La Pine Chamber of Commerce

Lake Havasu Area Chamber of Commerce Lake Houston Area Chamber of Commerce

Lansing Regional Chamber

Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce

Lincoln Chamber of Commerce

Little Rock Regional Chamber of Commerce Livermore Valley Chamber of Commerce

Long Beach Hospitality Alliance Longview TX Chamber of Commerce Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce Louisiana Motor Transport Association, Inc.

Lubbock Chamber of Commerce

Maine Motor Transport Association, Inc. Marshalltown Area Chamber of Commerce

Maryland Chamber of Commerce

Maryland Motor Truck Association, Inc.

Mashpee Chamber of commerce Mason City Chamber of Commerce McAllen Chamber of Commerce

McLean County Chamber of Commerce

Meridian Chamber of Commerce

Metals Service Center Institute Metro South Chamber of Commerce Michigan Chamber of Commerce Michigan Trucking Association, Inc. Minneapolis Regional Chamber

Minneapolis Regional Chamber of Commerce

Minnesota Trucking Association Mississippi Trucking Association

Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Missouri Trucking Association Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce Monroe Chamber of Commerce Montana Chamber of Commerce Motor Carriers of Montana

Motor Transport Association of CT, Inc. Murrieta/Wildomar Chamber of Commerce Naperville Area Chamber of Commerce

National Association of Surety Bond Producers

National Industrial Transportation League National Utility Contractors Association

NC Chamber

Nebraska Trucking Association Neponset River Regional Chamber Nevada Trucking Association, Inc. New Jersey Motor Truck Association

New Mexico Association of Commerce and

Industry

New Mexico Trucking Association Newark Regional Business Partnership Newport County Chamber of Commerce

Nogales-Santa Cruz County Chamber of Commerce North American Strategy for Competitiveness

(NASCO)

North Carolina Trucking Assoc., Inc. North Central Massachusetts Chamber of

Commerce

North Country Chamber of Commerce North Dakota Motor Carriers Assoc., Inc.

North Orange County Chamber North Tampa Bay Chamber North Texas Commission

Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce

Northern RI Chamber of Commerce Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce

Ohio Trucking Association Oklahoma Trucking Association Orange County Business Council Oregon Business & Industry

Oregon Trucking Associations, Inc. Orleans Chamber of Commerce Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce

Ottawa Area Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Oxnard Chamber of Commerce
PA Chamber of Business & Industry
Pasadena Chamber of Commerce
Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association
Peoria Area Chamber of Commerce
Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce

Pocatello-Chubbuck Chamber of Commerce

Portland Business Alliance

Pratt Area Chamber of Commerce/Pratt

CVB/Economic Development

Prattville Area Chamber of Commerce Prescott Valley Chamber of Commerce Queen Creek Chamber of Commerce Regional Transportation Alliance

REYCO Systems, Inc.

Rhode Island Trucking Association, Inc.

Rio Grande Valley Partnership

River Region Chamber of Commerce

Rogers Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce

Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce

Salt Lake Chamber

San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership San Juan Capistrano Chamber Of Commerce

San Ysidro Chamber of Commerce Sandy Area Chamber of Commerce Schuylkill Chamber of Commerce Sherman Chamber of Commerce

Silver City Grant County Chamber of Commerce

Sioux Falls Area Chamber of Commerce

South Bend Regional Chamber

South Carolina Trucking Assoc., Inc. South Dakota Trucking Association

South Padre Island Chamber of Commerce South Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce

SouthCoast Chamber

Southwest Indiana Chamber of Commerce Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce

St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce St. Louis Regional Chamber State Chamber of Oklahoma

Surprise Regional Chamber of Commerce Sweet Grass County Chamber of Commerce

Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber

Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce

Tennessee Trucking Association

Texarkana USA Chamber of Commerce

Texas Trucking Association

The Association of Union Constructors (TAUC)

The Business Council of Westchester

The Chamber Grand Forks/East Grand Forks
The Chamber of Medford/Jackson County

The Colorado Chamber of Commerce
The Greater Cranston Chamber of Commerce
Triangle East Chamber of Commerce
Trucking Association of Massachusetts
Trucking Association of New York
Tucson Metro Chamber
Tulsa Regional Chamber
United Corpus Christi Chamber of Commerce
Utah Trucking Association
Valdosta-Lowndes County Chamber of Commerce
Virginia Chamber of Commerce
Virginia Trucking Association
Washington County Chamber of Commerce

cc: Ranking Member Sam Graves

Ranking Member Kevin Brady

Washington Trucking Associations
West Virginia Chamber of Commerce
West Virginia Trucking Association, Inc.
West Volusia Regional Chamber of Commerce
Wisconsin Motor Carriers Association
Wisconsin Transportation Builders Association
Wyoming Trucking Association, Inc.
Yarmouth Chamber of Commerce