January 18, 2019

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS:

On behalf of the American business community, we urge Congress and the administration to immediately take steps to restore the full operation of the federal government.

The current shutdown – now the longest in American history – is causing significant and in some cases lasting damage to families, businesses, and the economy as a whole. The harm is well documented and continues to compound with each passing day.

Since the shutdown began, various compromises have been floated by both Republicans and Democrats. There are numerous paths forward that would allow for the government to be reopened that should be acceptable to all parties. Failing to seize on one of those compromises that can pass Congress and be signed into law is unacceptable.

The time to act, the time to end this shutdown is now so that we can keep the economy moving forward.

Sincerely,

National ACA International
Aeronautical Repair Station Association
Air-Conditioning, Heating, & Refrigeration Institute
AirlinesforAmerica
American Bankers Association
American Bus Association
American Chemistry Council
American Coatings Association
American Council of Engineering Companies
American Financial Services Association
American Public Transportation Association
America's SBDCs
Asian American Hotel Owners Association
Association of Global Automakers
Association of Equipment Manufacturers
Associated General Contractors of America
Association of Oil Pipe Lines
National Investor Relations Institute
Council for Responsible Nutrition
CCIM Institute
Energy Equipment and Infrastructure Alliance
Federation of American Hospitals
Food Marketing Institute
Household & Commercial Products Association
Independent Lubricant Manufacturers Association
International Franchise Association
National Apartment Association
National Association of Government Guaranteed Lenders
National Association of Surety Bond Producers
National Association for the Self-Employed
National Beer Wholesalers Association
National Black Chamber of Commerce
National Council of Agricultural Employers
National Electrical Contractors Association
National Grocers Association Arlington
National Council of Chain Restaurants
National Multifamily Housing Council
National Retail Federation
Security Industry Association
The Association for Advanced Life Underwriting (AALU)
The Toy Association
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Greater Columbus GA Chamber of Commerce
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Visit Savannah

**Guam**
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**Hawaii**
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**Idaho**
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TriCounty Area Chamber of Commerce
Wyoming County Chamber of Commerce

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Davis Chamber of Commerce
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