April 15, 2020

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy
Republican Leader
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Chuck Schumer
Democratic Leader
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Speaker Pelosi and Leaders McConnell, Schumer and McCarthy:

The undersigned organizations thank you for the prompt adoption of the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) under the CARES Act and ask that you move quickly to authorize additional funding for the program. While there are many improvements that can and should be made to the PPP – and some companies have not even applied yet due to difficulties with, or uncertainty about, the program – there is unquestionably additional demand for this program that current funding cannot provide. Congress should act expeditiously to assure that the PPP will have the resources it needs to sustain America’s small business economy through the COVID-19 pandemic.

In just a few weeks, the PPP has emerged as a central and effective response to the economic damage resulting from COVID-19. PPP loans are providing a vital source of liquidity to more than a million individually and family-owned businesses whose operations have been curtailed or shut-down by stay-home orders and other government actions taken in response to the virus. These businesses, in turn, are using the loans to keep millions of Americans employed.

According to the Small Business Administration, however, banks have already committed most of the $349 billion provided to capitalize the PPP, and it is likely the program will run out of money within the week, leaving millions of additional businesses without the funds necessary to keep their workers employed.

Please act now to authorize additional funding for the Paycheck Protection Program so that these vital loans can continue to ensure that additional workers are able to keep their jobs and small businesses are able to avoid bankruptcy.

Sincerely,

National Trades

AdvaMed
Aeronautical Repair Station Association
Air Conditioning Contractors of America
American Bakers Association
American Beverage Licensees
American Council for Capital Formation (ACCF)
American Council of Engineering Companies
American Dental Association
American Farm Bureau Federation
American Feed Industry Association
American Foundry Society
American Gas Association
American Hotel & Lodging Association (AHLA)
American Institute of Architects (AIA)
American International Automobile Dealers Association
American Property Casualty Insurance Association
American Rental Association
American Society of Travel Advisors (ASTA)
American Staffing Association
American Supply Association
American Trucking Associations
American Veterinary Medical Association
American Wood Council
AMT - The Association For Manufacturing Technology
Asian American Hotel Owners Association
Associated Builders and Contractors
Associated Builders and Contractors Inland Pacific Chapter
Associated Equipment Distributors
Associated General Contractors of America
Association for PRINT Technologies
Association of Plastic Recyclers
Association of the Wall and Ceiling Industry
At-sea Processors Association
Auto Care Association
Brick Industry Association
Builders Hardware Manufacturers Association
Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) International
Ceramic Tile Distributors Association (CTDA)
Construction Industry Round Table
Consumer Healthcare Products Association (CHPA)
Convenience Distribution Association
Council of Insurance Agents and Brokers
DHI- Door Security + Safety Professionals
Distilled Spirits Council of the United States
Education Market Association
Energy Equipment and Infrastructure Alliance
Equipment Leasing and Finance Association
Equipment Marketing & Distribution Association
Family Business Coalition
Family Enterprise USA
Financial Executives International
Foodservice Equipment Distributors Association (FEDA)
Forest Landowners Association
Forest Resources Association
Global Market Development Center
Health Industry Distributors Association
Heating, Air-conditioning, & Refrigeration Distributors International
Independent Bakers Association
Independent Community Bankers of America
Independent Electrical Contractors
Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of America
Independent Office Products & Furniture Dealers Alliance
Industrial Fasteners Institute
Institute of Real Estate Management
International Association of Movers (IAM)
International Association of Plastics Distribution
International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC)
International Dairy Foods Association
International Foodservice Distributors Association
International Franchise Association
International Warehouse Logistics Association
International Wood Products Association
Irrigation Association
ISSA - The Worldwide Cleaning Industry Association
Manufactured Housing Institute
Manufacturer & Business Association
Mark Pollard Electrical, Inc
Material Handling Equipment Distributors Association
Metals Service Center Institute
Motorcycle Industry Council
NAHAD - The Association for Hose and Hose Accessory Distribution
NAIOP, the Commercial Real Estate Development Association
National Alliance of Forest Owners
National Apartment Association
National Association of Broadcasters
National Association of Chain Drug Stores
National Association of Electrical Distributors
National Association of Home Builders
National Association of Professional Insurance Agents
National Association of REALTORS®
National Association of Sporting Goods Wholesalers
National Association of Wholesaler-Distributors
National Automobile Dealers Association
National Beer Wholesalers Association
National Cattlemen’s Beef Association
National Community Pharmacists Association
National Confectioners Association
National Cotton Council
National Electrical Contractors Association
National Electrical Manufacturers Representatives Association (NEMRA)
National Fastener Distributors Association
National Grocers Association
National Insulation Association
National Lumber & Building Material Dealers Association
National Marine Distributors Association
National Mining Association
National Multifamily Housing Council
National Office Products Alliance
National Propane Gas Association
National Ready Mixed Concrete Association
National Retail Federation
National Roofing Contractors Association
National RV Dealers Association
National Small Business Association
National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association
National Tooling and Machining Association
National Waste & Recycling Association
NFIB
North American Association of Food Equipment Manufacturers (NAFEM)
North American Association of Utility Distributors (NAAUD)
North American Die Casting Association
North American Wholesale Lumber Association
Office Furniture Dealers Alliance
Outdoor Power Equipment and Engine Service Association
Out of Home Advertising Association of America
Pacific-West Fastener Association
Pet Industry Distributors Association
Petroleum Equipment Institute (PEI)
Plumbing Manufacturers International
Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors—National Association
Policy and Taxation Group
Portland Cement Association
Power Transmission Distributors Association
Precision Machined Products Association
Precision Metalforming Association
Printing Industries of America
Professional Beauty Association
Recreational Off-Highway Vehicle Association
S Corporation Association
Secondary Materials and Recycled Textiles Assoc.
Service Station Dealers of America and Allied Trades (SSDA-AT)
SHDA
Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council
Society for Human Resource Management
Society of Collision Repair Specialists (SCRS)
Southeastern Lumber Manufacturers Association
Specialty Equipment Market Association
Specialty Vehicle Institute of America
Tag and Label Manufacturers Institute (TLMI)
Textile Care Allied Trades Association
The Fertilizer Institute
The Hardwood Federation
The Real Estate Roundtable
Tire Industry Association (TIA)
Truck Renting and Leasing Association
U.S. Chamber of Commerce
United Veterinary Services Association
Vinyl Institute
Western Equipment Dealers Association
WF&FSA - The Wholesale Florist and Florist Supplier Association
Window Covering Manufacturers Association
Wine & Spirits Wholesalers of America
Wine Institute
Woodworking Machinery Industry Association
World Millwork Alliance

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NECA Alaska

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Gulf Coast Chapter NECA

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Arkansas Chapter NECA

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Associated Builders & Contractors Southern California Chapter
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Kern County Chapter NECA
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Northern California Chapter NECA
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Southern Sierras Chapter NECA

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Southern Colorado Chapter NECA

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Florida West Coast Chapter NECA
North Florida Chapter NECA

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Hawaii Chapter NECA

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Illinois Chapter NECA
Northeastern Illinois Chapter NECA
Northern Illinois Chapter NECA
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  Northern Indiana Chapter NECA
  Southern Indiana Chapter NECA

Louisiana
  North Louisiana Chapter NECA
  South Louisiana Chapter NECA
  Southwest Louisiana Chapter NECA

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  Associated Builders and Contractors Maine Chapter

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  Central Massachusetts Chapter NECA
  Western Massachusetts Chapter NECA

Maryland
  Maryland Chapter NECA

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  Michigan Chapter NECA

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  Minneapolis Chapter NECA
  St. Paul Chapter NECA
  Twin Ports Arrowhead Chapter NECA

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  Associated Builders & Contractors of Mississippi
  Mississippi Beer Distributors Association

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  Missouri Valley Line Constructors Chapter NECA
  Southwestern Line Constructors Chapter NECA
  St. Louis Chapter NECA

North Dakota
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  Nebraska Chapter NECA

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  Southern Nevada Chapter NECA

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  Finger Lakes Chapter NECA
  Hudson Valley Chapter NECA
  Long Island Chapter NECA
  New York City Chapter NECA
  Northern New York Chapter NECA
  Rochester Chapter NECA
  Southern Tier Chapter NECA
  Western New York State Chapter NECA

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Cincinnati Chapter NECA
Greater Cleveland Chapter NECA
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Western Ohio Chapter NECA

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Oklahoma Chapter NECA

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Northwest Line Chapter NECA
Oregon-Columbia Chapter NECA
Oregon-Pacific-Cascade Chapter NECA

Pennsylvania
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Western Pennsylvania Chapter NECA

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West Tennessee Chapter of Associated Builders & Contractors
Memphis Chapter NECA

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West Virginia-Ohio Valley Chapter NECA

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