























July 30, 2020

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

The Honorable Charles Schumer Minority Leader, U.S. Senate **United States Capitol** Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives **United States Capitol** Washington, D.C. 20515

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

Dear Majority Leader McConnell, Minority Leader Schumer, Speaker Pelosi, Republican Leader McCarthy:

On behalf of the undersigned organizations, including the Small Business Roundtable (SBR), an organization that represents more than 30 million small businesses across America, we write to express our strong support for expanding eligibility to 501(c)(6) organizations to apply for loans under the Paycheck Protection Program.

In many instances, the thousands of local chambers and business association chapters across the country are the single source of information guiding these small businesses during this time of crisis. By including these organizations, Congress will ensure that small businesses receive the necessary resources, technical assistance, and direction during the economic recovery.

Given the time-sensitive nature of this request, we are ready and able to answer any questions you might have. We can be reached by contacting Executive Directors Rhett Buttle at rhett@smallbusinessroundtable.org or John Stanford at john@smallbusinessroundtable.org.

Thank you for your continued support of our nation's job creators, and we look forward to the day when we can work together to rebuild after the crisis subsides.

Sincerely,

Chiling Tong, President & CEO, Asian and Pacific Islander Chamber of Commerce and Entrepreneurship

Jill Houghton, President & CEO, Disability: IN

Keith Hall, President & CEO, National Association for the Self Employed

Jen Earle, CEO, National Association of Women Business Owners

Todd McCracken, President & CEO, National Small Business Association

Karen Kerrigan, Chair, Small Business Roundtable, President & CEO, Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council

Ron Busby, President & CEO, U.S. Black Chambers, Inc.

Ramiro Cavazos, President & CEO, U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

Connie Evans, President & CEO, Association for Enterprise Opportunity

Corinne Hodges, CEO, Association of Women's Business Centers

Mark Madrid, CEO, Latino Business Action Network

Ron Painter, President & CEO, National Association of Workforce Boards

John Stanford, Co-Executive Director, Small Business Roundtable

Rhett Buttle, Co-Executive Director, Small Business Roundtable

cc:

The Honorable Marco Rubio, Chairman, Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

The Honorable Ben Cardin, Ranking Member, Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

The Honorable Nydia Velazquez, Chair, House Committee on Small Business

The Honorable Steve Chabot, Ranking Member, House Committee on Small Business