

February 24, 2025

The Honorable Mike Johnson Speaker of the House U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Hakeem Jeffries House Minority Leader U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Speaker Johnson and Minority Leader Jeffries:

The undersigned business groups urge Congress to act quickly to prevent a massive tax hike on Main Street businesses, beginning with the speedy adoption of the House budget resolution.

Absent action, millions of Main Street businesses organized as S corporations, partnerships, and sole proprietorships will see their taxes go up sharply next year. Taxes on these pass-through businesses will go up when they earn profits, when they invest, and when they pass their businesses on to the next generation.

Pass-through businesses are the backbone of the American economy. They account for 95 percent of all businesses and employ 63 percent of all private sector workers. They also form the economic foundation for thousands of communities nationwide. Without them, those communities would face a future of lower growth, fewer jobs, and more boarded-up buildings.

Provisions to make permanent the Section 199A deduction, maintain rates on individuals and pass-through businesses, provide estate tax relief, and increase deductions for business investment in equipment and R&D are critical to the continued success of our members.

The House budget is the first step in improving the tax treatment of all these areas and providing pass-through businesses with the certainty they need to survive and grow.

The more quickly Congress acts, the sooner Main Street can get back to investing in our communities and creating jobs for your constituents. We appreciate your work on this important legislation and look forward to seeing this resolution enacted soon.

## Sincerely,

Agricultural Retailers Association
AICC, The Independent Packaging Association
Air Conditioning Contractors of America
American Building Materials Alliance
American Council of Engineering Companies
American Council of Independent Laboratories (ACIL)
American Farm Bureau Federation
American International Automobile Dealers Association
American Lighting Association
American Staffing Association
American Subcontractors Association

American Supply Association

American Veterinary Medical Association

AmericanHort

**Associated Equipment Distributors** 

Associated General Contractors of America

**Brick Industry Association** 

Chicago Roofing Contractors Association

Coalition of Franchisee Associations

**Construction Industry Round Table** 

**Distribution Contractors Association** 

Door and Hardware Institute

**Energy Marketers of America** 

Family Business Association of California

**Family Business Coalition** 

FCA International

Foodservice Equipment Distributors Association

Forest Resources Association

Franchise Business Services

**GAWDA** 

**Glass Packaging Institute** 

Global Cold Chain Alliance

Hardwood Federation

Health & Fitness Association

Heating, Air-conditioning, & Refrigeration Distributors International

**Independent Bakers Association** 

**Independent Electrical Contractors** 

Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of America (Big "I")

**Industrial Fasteners Institute** 

International Foodservice Distributors Association

**International Housewares Association** 

International Institute of Building Enclosure Consultants (IIBEC)

International Sign Association

ISSA, the Worldwide Cleaning Industry Association

Job Creators Network

Leading Builders of America

Main Street Employers Coalition

Manufactured Housing Institute

**Meat Institute** 

**Metal Construction Association** 

Metals Service Center Institute

Michigan Farm Bureau

Mortgage Bankers Association

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**National Apartment Association** 

National Association of Convenience Stores

National Association of Electrical Distributors (NAED)

National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors

National Association of Professional Insurance Agents

National Association of Wholesaler-Distributors

National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA)

National Confectioners Association

**National Cotton Council** 

National Council of Farmer Cooperatives

**National Electrical Contractors Association** 

National Electrical Manufacturers Representatives Association (NEMRA)

National Energy & Fuels Institute (NEFI)

National Fastener Distributors Association

National Federation of Independent Business

National Franchisee Association

National Lumber & Building Material Dealers Association

National Marine Distributors Association

National Multifamily Housing Council

**National Peach Council** 

National Ready Mixed Concrete Association

National Restaurant Association

**National Roofing Contractors Association** 

National RV Dealers Assoc. (RVDA)

National Small Business Association (NSBA)

National Stone, Sand and Gravel Association

National Wooden Pallet & Container Association

NATSO, Representing America's Travel Centers and Truck Stops

North American Association of Food Equipment Manufacturers (NAFEM)

Outdoor Power Equipment and Engine Service Association

Pennsylvania Farm Bureau

**PRINTING United Alliance** 

**Professional Beauty Association** 

S Corporation Association

Service Station Dealers of America and Allied Trades

SIGMA: America's Leading Fuel Marketers

Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council

Small Business Legislative Council (SBLC)

Society of Collision Repair Specialists (SCRS)

Southeastern Lumber Manufacturers Association

Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA)

Spray Polyurethane Foam Alliance

Subchapter S Bank Association

**Textile Care Allied Trades Association** 

The Association for Hose and Accessories Distribution

The Fertilizer Institute

The Real Estate Roundtable

The Transportation Alliance

Tile Roofing Industry Alliance

Tire Industry Association

**US Sweet Potato Council** 

Virginia Association of Roofing Professionals

WASDA - Water and Sewer Distributors of America

Wholesale Florist & Floral Supplier Association

**Workplace Solutions Association** 

Wyoming Stock Growers Association