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The Honorable John Thune Majority Leader U.S. Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Mike Johnson Speaker U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Mike Crapo Chairman Senate Committee on Finance Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Jason Smith Chairman Ways and Means Committee Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Leader Thune, Speaker Johnson, Chairman Crapo, and Chairman Smith:

The undersigned organizations, representing millions of Main Street businesses in every industry and community across the country, write in strong support of the budget reconciliation tax package recently released by the Senate Finance Committee.

This legislation builds on the foundation laid by the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act and advances a forwardlooking, pro-growth tax agenda that supports tens of millions of Main Street enterprises. Critically, it would provide long-overdue certainty to the more than 95 percent of American businesses organized as S corporations, partnerships, and sole proprietorships -- businesses that employ a large majority of the private sector workforce and serve as the economic engine of communities nationwide.

Among the most significant provisions for these businesses are the permanent extension of the Section 199A deduction and the retention of the 37-percent top individual rate. These measures reflect the need for a competitive and equitable tax structure that recognizes the importance of rate parity between pass-through businesses and C corporations, and helps ensure that these employers can continue to invest, hire, and grow.

We also applaud lawmakers for their commitment to ensuring parity when it comes to the deductibility of state and local taxes (SALT) incurred by pass-through businesses. This recently-released draft rightly preserves their longstanding ability to deduct SALT expenses as an ordinary and necessary cost of doing business. This policy reflects a clear understanding that pass-through businesses should not be treated less favorably than their C corporation counterparts and reinforces the principle of equal treatment under the tax code.

Finally, we are pleased to see the inclusion of other critical incentives that will help drive investment and innovation -- provisions such as restoring full expensing, enhancing deductions for production property, easing the interest expense limitation, and reinstating immediate expensing for research and experimentation costs. These reforms represent meaningful progress toward a modern, growth-oriented tax code.

Taken together, these provisions represent a resounding victory for the Main Street business community. We support the package and urge its swift passage into law.

Sincerely,

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