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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker of the U.S. House Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Mitch McConnell U.S. Senate Majority Leader Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Richard Neal Chairman U.S. House Committee on Ways and Means Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Charles Grassley Chairman U.S. Senate Finance Committee Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Kevin McCarthy U.S. House Republican Leader Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Charles Schumer U.S. Senate Democratic Leader Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Kevin Brady Ranking Republican Member U.S. House Committee on Ways and Means Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Ron Wyden Ranking Democratic Member U.S. Senate Finance Committee Washington, DC 20510

Dear Speaker Pelosi, Republican Leader McCarthy, Majority Leader McConnell, Democratic Leader Schumer, Chairman Neal, Ranking Member Brady, Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Wyden:

The following organizations, representing diverse business, energy, transportation, real estate and agriculture sectors, are writing to you regarding the pressing need to address the expired tax provisions ("tax extenders"). We respectfully ask that at a minimum, the House and Senate retroactively extend these provisions through 2019 promptly in order to minimize potentially severe disruptions to the recently opened tax filing season.

These temporary tax provisions have remained lapsed since the end of 2017. This has created confusion for the numerous industry sectors that utilize these tax incentives and has threatened thousands of jobs in the U.S. economy. The continued uncertainty with regard to eventual congressional action on tax extenders is undermining the effectiveness of these incentives and stands as a needless barrier to additional job creation and economic growth in the private sector.

Providing taxpayers with a predictable planning outlook as it pertains to tax rules is conducive to increased private sector investment and economic activity. Accordingly, we respectfully ask that you act to retroactively extend these expired tax provisions through 2019 on the first appropriate legislative vehicle.

We sincerely appreciate your attention to this matter, and stand ready to work with you to achieve this important objective.

Sincerely,

Advanced Biofuels Association Advanced Biofuels Business Council Air Conditioning Contractors of America (ACCA) Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute Algae Biomass Organization Alliantgroup American Biogas Council American Council of Engineering Companies American Council On Renewable Energy (ACORE) American Horse Council American Public Gas Association American Public Transportation Association American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association American Soybean Association American Trucking Associations American Veterinary Medical Association Association of American Railroads **Biomass Power Association Biotechnology Innovation Organization Business Council for Sustainable Energy CCIM** Institute **Citizens for Responsible Energy Solutions** Coalition for Energy Efficient Jobs & Investment Coalition for Renewable Natural Gas (RNG Coalition) Community Transportation Association of America **Copper Development Association Directors Guild of America** E2 (Environmental Entrepreneurs) **Education Theatre Association EDTA Electric Drive Transportation Association Energy Recovery Council** Fuel Cell and Hydrogen Energy Association Growth Energy Hearth, Patio & Barbecue Association

Independent Electrical Contractors Independent Film and Television Alliance Independent Fuel Terminal Operators Association Institute of Real Estate Management® NAESCO (National Association of Energy Service Companies) National Association of Home Builders NAHB National Association of REALTORS® National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO) National Association of Truckstop Operators National Biodiesel Board National Corn Growers Association National Council of Farmer Cooperatives National Employment Opportunity Network (NEON) National Hydropower Association National Lumber and Building Material **Dealers Association** National Propane Gas Association National Railroad Construction and Maintenance Association National Real Estate Investors Association National Renderers Association National Thoroughbred Racing Association NEFI **NGVAmerica** Pellet Fuels Institute **Renewable Fuels Association** South West Transit Association The American Society of Cost Segregation Professionals The Railway Engineering-Maintenance Suppliers Association (REMSA) The Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors National Association (SMACNA) **Tile Roofing Industry Alliance** U.S. Canola Association