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Minority Leader  
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The Honorable Kevin McCarthy  
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Dear Leader McConnell, Speaker Pelosi, Leader Schumer, and Leader McCarthy:

Thank you for your leadership in bringing forward the previous COVID-19 legislation to support the economy and the American public through this pandemic. As we navigate an uncertain future and work to address the public health and economic crisis, we must also protect our fundamental rights and democratic institutions. Paramount among these is the integrity of our elections.

As American business leaders, we stand together to protect the physical safety of our employees and communities while also protecting their right to be heard on Election Day. Public health is essential but so is civic health. If we take action now, we do not have to sacrifice one to achieve the other.

**We call on Congress to provide state and local governments with the resources they need to ensure that all eligible voters can vote safely, including methods such as:**

- **Making vote by mail available to all eligible voters.** Allow voters to register online, request mail-in ballots to complete in the safety of their homes and return ballots via the U.S. Postal Service, postage paid.
- **Extending early in-person voting.** Offer at least two weeks of early voting at physical polling locations, including weekend voting, to avoid overcrowded polling places and to adhere to social distancing guidelines.

The necessary funding for safe voting upgrades, estimated at \$4 billion, will ensure state and local officials have the personnel and equipment necessary to distribute mail-in ballots, administer early voting locations safely, and tally votes accurately and efficiently.

As business leaders, our responsibility is not just to our employees, customers, and communities—it is also to our country. We pledge to do our part by educating our employees about voting by mail and ensuring they have time to vote and can complete their ballots by November 3, 2020.

We urge Congress to allocate the funding to state election officials so they may run our elections in a safe and secure manner. Every American citizen deserves to have their vote counted without risking their health.

Respectfully,  
*Signatories*

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