

The President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20500

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

The Honorable Charles Schumer
Senate Democratic Leader
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

April 29, 2019

Dear Mr. President, Madam Speaker, and Senate Democratic Leader Schumer:

As representatives for millions of businesses and American workers who rely on sound infrastructure to move and grow our economy, we are grateful that you will soon meet to discuss transportation infrastructure funding. Solving the deepening infrastructure crisis requires strong leadership, and this moment creates an opportunity to build a lasting legacy that the American people will see, feel, and use for decades to come.

Attached is a letter signed by more than 330 organizations who represent a wide array of business and labor interests across the U.S. They cut across the political spectrum, forming an enormous base of support for a bipartisan infrastructure funding bill. Potholes and traffic congestion do not discriminate by political party.

We are hopeful your meeting will put America on course to achieving the long-term, stable and sufficient funding that our crumbling transportation infrastructure desperately needs. Revitalizing our infrastructure would raise the quality of life for all Americans, create good, well-paying American jobs, and serve as a critical component to maintaining our economic prosperity and competitiveness around the world.

Sincerely,



Thomas J. Donohue
President & CEO
United States Chamber of Commerce



Chris Spear
President & CEO
American Trucking
Associations



Richard Trumka
President
AFL-CIO

April 11, 2019

The Honorable Peter DeFazio
Chairman
Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure
United States House of Representatives

The Honorable Richard Neal
Chairman
Committee on Ways & Means
United States House of Representatives

Chairmen DeFazio and Neal:

Thank you for your commitment to addressing the growing national crisis caused by our country's decaying infrastructure. We commend you for holding meaningful hearings to shine a light on the negative impact that chronic underinvestment in infrastructure is having on our economy and the safety of the motoring public. The time is now to move forward on much overdue infrastructure modernization.

If the United States is to continue to be that "shining city on a hill" in this century – that beacon of hope and opportunity around the world for anyone who aspires for a better life – then the roads, bridges and transit systems into that city cannot be marked with potholes, collapsing bridges and failing track. America's economic and social strength throughout the 20th century was driven by investments in infrastructure championed by Presidents Roosevelt, Eisenhower and Reagan. However, that leadership position is now threatened by inaction on the much-needed modernization of an infrastructure network essential to continue our nation's global dominance.

The undersigned associations and organizations, representing the men and women of both American business and labor, urge you to act on the immediate need to fix our nation's crumbling infrastructure. We stand prepared to work side-by-side with Congress and the Administration to get this much needed job done.

We urge you to move forward and take bold action now; waiting is not an option. We urge you to look to the 35 state legislatures and governors who have shown it is not only possible to fund infrastructure, but it is a winning political issue. As you continue down this legislative process, we support these core basic principles for the infrastructure legislation you are developing:

- It must address the current crisis and invest in the future;
- It must be funded with real money, not gimmicks;
- It must provide the vision and the bridge to ensure that transportation in five, 10 or 20 years has an appropriate system of user fees and funding that matches the vehicles and society of that future;
- It must provide resiliency of our transportation networks; and
- It must support the jobs of today and the future with funding and programs to match.

The last President to increase the federal user fee on fuel was Bill Clinton, and the last to directly appeal to the country to fund infrastructure was Ronald Reagan. We call on you now to show that same political courage and offer you the strong support of our organizations and the millions of Americans who are depending on you.

Sincerely,

National Organizations

AFL-CIO
Agriculture & Food Transporters Conference
American Apparel & Footwear Association
American Association of Port Authorities
American Concrete Pavement Association
American Council of Engineering Companies
American Iron and Steel Institute
American Public Transportation Association
American Road & Transportation Builders Association
American Society of Civil Engineers
American Trucking Associations
Associated Equipment Distributors
Associated General Contractors
Associated Wire Rope Fabricators
Association For Manufacturing Technology
Association of Equipment Manufacturers
Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations
Automobile Carriers Conference
CCIM Institute
Coalition for America's Gateways and Trade Corridors
Government Freight Conference
Intermodal Association of North America
Intermodal Motor Carriers Conference
International Union of Operating Engineers
International Warehouse Logistics Association
Laborers International Union of North America
National Asphalt Pavement Association
National Association of Counties
National Association of County Engineers
National Association of Manufacturers
National Association of Surety Bond Producers
National Association of Trailer Manufacturers
National Association of Wholesaler-Distributors
National Lime Association
National Ready Mixed Concrete Association
National Retail Federation
National Stone, Sand and Gravel Association
National Tank Truck Carriers
Portland Cement Association
Retail Industry Leaders Association
The Toy Association
United Fresh Produce Association
United States Chamber of Commerce

State and Local Organizations

Alabama Trucking Association, Inc.
Alaska Trucking Association, Inc.
Alliance for Alabama's Infrastructure
Ames Chamber of Commerce
Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce
AR State Chamber/AIA
Arizona Chamber of Commerce & Industry
Arizona Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Arizona Manufacturers Council
Arizona Trucking Association
Arkansas Trucking Association
Association of Washington Business
Auburn Chamber of Commerce
Aurora Chamber of Commerce
Baton Rouge Area Chamber
Baytown Chamber of Commerce
Billings Chamber of Commerce
Boise Metro Chamber
Bolingbrook Area Chamber of Commerce
Bozeman Area Chamber of Commerce
Brewster Chamber of Commerce, Inc.
Buckeye Valley Chamber of Commerce
Buffalo Niagara Partnership
Business Council of Alabama
Caldwell Chamber
California Association of Boutique & Breakfast Inns
California Hotel & Lodging Association
California Trucking Association
Cape Cod Canal Region Chamber
Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce
Cape Girardeau Area Chamber of Commerce
Capital Region Chamber
Carson City Chamber of Commerce
Cedar Rapids Metro Economic Alliance
Central Maryland Chamber
Chamber of Commerce Hawaii
Chamber of Commerce of West Alabama
Chamber Southwest Louisiana
Chamber630
Chandler Chamber of Commerce
Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce
Chattanooga Chamber of Commerce
Chemung County Chamber of Commerce
Chester county chamber
Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber
City of Jerome
Cleveland County Chamber
Cleveland-Bolivar County Chamber of Commerce
Coeur d'Alene Chamber of Commerce
Colorado Competitive Council

Colorado Motor Carriers Association
Columbia Chamber of Commerce
Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce
Delaware Motor Transport Assoc. Inc.
Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce
Dooly County Chamber of Commerce
Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce
Dunwoody Perimeter Chamber
Eastham Chamber of Commerce
Economic Alliance Snohomish County
Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce
Encinitas Chamber of Commerce
Falmouth Chamber of Commerce
Ferndale Chamber of Commerce
Florida Chamber of Commerce
Florida Trucking Association, Inc.
Fort Bend Chamber
Forward Janesville, Inc.
Fredericksburg Regional Chamber of Commerce
Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce
Georgia Motor Trucking Association, Inc.
Gilbert Chamber of Commerce
Glendale Chamber of Commerce
Glendora Chamber Legislative Action Committee
Granbury Chamber of Commerce
Grand Rapids Area Chamber
Greater Augusta Regional Chamber
Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce
Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce
Greater Cheyenne Chamber of Commerce
Greater Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce
Greater Des Moines Partnership
Greater Gardner Chamber of Commerce
Greater Green Bay Chamber
Greater Houston Partnership
Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce
Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce
Greater Louisville Inc.
Greater North Dakota Chamber
Greater Oklahoma City Chamber
Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce
Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce
Greater Port Arthur Chamber of Commerce
Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce
Greater Reading Chamber Alliance
Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce
Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce
Greater Summerville/Dorchester County Chamber
of Commerce
Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce
Greater Topeka Chamber of Commerce
Greeley Area Chamber of Commerce

Hancock County Chamber of Commerce
Hanover Area Chamber of Commerce
Harford County Chamber of Commerce
Harwich Chamber of Commerce
Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce
HDR Engineering, Inc.
Helena Area Chamber of Commerce
Henderson Chamber of Commerce
Henderson County Chamber of Commerce
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce
Hotel Association of Los Angeles
Household & Commercial Products Association
Hudson County Chamber of Commerce
Hyannis Chamber of Commerce
Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry
Idaho Trucking Association
Illinois Chamber of Commerce
Illinois Trucking Association, Inc.
Indiana Chamber of Commerce
Indiana Motor Truck Association, Inc.
Iowa Motor Truck Association, Inc.
Jackson County Area Chamber of Commerce
Jefferson Chamber of Commerce
Johnson City/Jonesborough/Washington County
CoC
Joliet Region Chamber of Commerce & Industry
Kalispell Chamber of Commerce
Kansas Motor Carriers Association
Kentucky Chamber of Commerce
Kentucky Trucking Association, Inc.
La Pine Chamber of Commerce
Lake Havasu Area Chamber of Commerce
Lake Houston Area Chamber of Commerce
Lansing Regional Chamber
Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce
Lincoln Chamber of Commerce
Little Rock Regional Chamber of Commerce
Livermore Valley Chamber of Commerce
Long Beach Hospitality Alliance
Longview TX Chamber of Commerce
Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce
Louisiana Motor Transport Association, Inc.
Lubbock Chamber of Commerce
Maine Motor Transport Association, Inc.
Marshalltown Area Chamber of Commerce
Maryland Chamber of Commerce
Maryland Motor Truck Association, Inc.
Mashpee Chamber of commerce
Mason City Chamber of Commerce
McAllen Chamber of Commerce
McLean County Chamber of Commerce
Meridian Chamber of Commerce

Metals Service Center Institute
 Metro South Chamber of Commerce
 Michigan Chamber of Commerce
 Michigan Trucking Association, Inc.
 Minneapolis Regional Chamber
 Minneapolis Regional Chamber of Commerce
 Minnesota Trucking Association
 Mississippi Trucking Association
 Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry
 Missouri Trucking Association
 Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce
 Monroe Chamber of Commerce
 Montana Chamber of Commerce
 Motor Carriers of Montana
 Motor Transport Association of CT, Inc.
 Murrieta/Wildomar Chamber of Commerce
 Naperville Area Chamber of Commerce
 National Association of Surety Bond Producers
 National Industrial Transportation League
 National Utility Contractors Association
 NC Chamber
 Nebraska Trucking Association
 Neponset River Regional Chamber
 Nevada Trucking Association, Inc.
 New Jersey Motor Truck Association
 New Mexico Association of Commerce and Industry
 New Mexico Trucking Association
 Newark Regional Business Partnership
 Newport County Chamber of Commerce
 Nogales-Santa Cruz County Chamber of Commerce
 North American Strategy for Competitiveness (NASCO)
 North Carolina Trucking Assoc., Inc.
 North Central Massachusetts Chamber of Commerce
 North Country Chamber of Commerce
 North Dakota Motor Carriers Assoc., Inc.
 North Orange County Chamber
 North Tampa Bay Chamber
 North Texas Commission
 Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce
 Northern RI Chamber of Commerce
 Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce
 Ohio Trucking Association
 Oklahoma Trucking Association
 Orange County Business Council
 Oregon Business & Industry
 Oregon Trucking Associations, Inc.
 Orleans Chamber of Commerce
 Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce
 Ottawa Area Chamber of Commerce & Industry
 Oxnard Chamber of Commerce
 PA Chamber of Business & Industry
 Pasadena Chamber of Commerce
 Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association
 Peoria Area Chamber of Commerce
 Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce
 Pocatello-Chubbuck Chamber of Commerce
 Portland Business Alliance
 Pratt Area Chamber of Commerce/Pratt CVB/Economic Development
 Prattville Area Chamber of Commerce
 Prescott Valley Chamber of Commerce
 Queen Creek Chamber of Commerce
 Regional Transportation Alliance
 REYCO Systems, Inc.
 Rhode Island Trucking Association, Inc.
 Rio Grande Valley Partnership
 River Region Chamber of Commerce
 Rogers Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce
 Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce
 Salt Lake Chamber
 San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce
 San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership
 San Juan Capistrano Chamber Of Commerce
 San Ysidro Chamber of Commerce
 Sandy Area Chamber of Commerce
 Schuylkill Chamber of Commerce
 Sherman Chamber of Commerce
 Silver City Grant County Chamber of Commerce
 Sioux Falls Area Chamber of Commerce
 South Bend Regional Chamber
 South Carolina Trucking Assoc., Inc.
 South Dakota Trucking Association
 South Padre Island Chamber of Commerce
 South Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce
 SouthCoast Chamber
 Southwest Indiana Chamber of Commerce
 Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce
 St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce
 St. Louis Regional Chamber
 State Chamber of Oklahoma
 Surprise Regional Chamber of Commerce
 Sweet Grass County Chamber of Commerce
 Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber
 Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce
 Tennessee Trucking Association
 Texarkana USA Chamber of Commerce
 Texas Trucking Association
 The Association of Union Constructors (TAUC)
 The Business Council of Westchester
 The Chamber Grand Forks/East Grand Forks
 The Chamber of Medford/Jackson County

The Colorado Chamber of Commerce
The Greater Cranston Chamber of Commerce
Triangle East Chamber of Commerce
Trucking Association of Massachusetts
Trucking Association of New York
Tucson Metro Chamber
Tulsa Regional Chamber
United Corpus Christi Chamber of Commerce
Utah Trucking Association
Valdosta-Lowndes County Chamber of Commerce
Virginia Chamber of Commerce
Virginia Trucking Association
Washington County Chamber of Commerce

Washington Trucking Associations
West Virginia Chamber of Commerce
West Virginia Trucking Association, Inc.
West Volusia Regional Chamber of Commerce
Wisconsin Motor Carriers Association
Wisconsin Transportation Builders Association
Wyoming Trucking Association, Inc.
Yarmouth Chamber of Commerce

cc: Ranking Member Sam Graves
Ranking Member Kevin Brady