

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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President Donald J. Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Russell Vought
Director, Office of Management and Budget
Executive Office of the President
725 17th Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear President Trump and Director Vought:

We write to express deep concern regarding the suspension of constituent services during the ongoing government shutdown. As Members of Congress, our ability to assist constituents with federal agencies is a core function of public service. Unfortunately, the Administration's posture towards the current lapse in government funding has left many constituents without access to essential services and support that they urgently need. We have begun to hear reports of the Social Security Administration (SSA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) ceasing operations on constituent casework in our communities.

Constituent inquiries often involve time-sensitive issues such as veterans' benefits, Social Security payments, immigration cases, and small business assistance. When these channels of communication are disrupted, the consequences are immediate and personal—delayed benefits, financial hardship, and increased frustration among the American people who depend on their government to function effectively.

We urge the Administration to explore every possible administrative measure to maintain minimal staffing or alternative service continuity for constituent casework operations. Even limited operational capacity could help mitigate the severe impact of the shutdown on American families, seniors, and veterans. If current guidance constrains these functions, the Administration must identify emergency measures or exemptions that allow for essential communication and case resolution to continue.

The strength of our democracy rests not only on the policies we enact but on the responsiveness of our government to its people. Ensuring that basic constituent services remain available, even during a funding lapse, is essential to maintaining public trust and the integrity of our institutions.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Our constituents, and the American people as a whole, deserve an immediate solution.

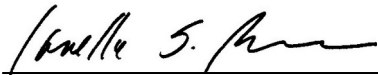
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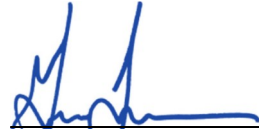
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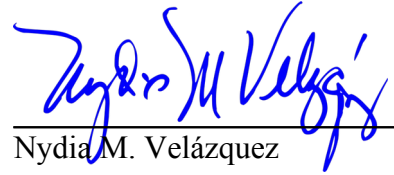
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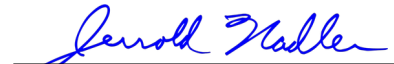
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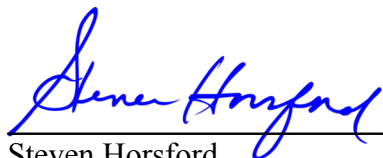
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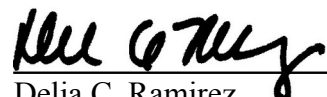
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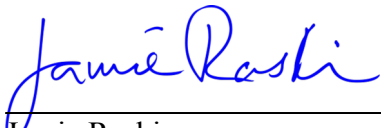
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