

May 11, 2020

Regarding: Inclusion of 501(c)6 Organization

Dear Dayton Area Congressional Delegation:

Thank you for support of the CARES Act and the recently passed \$484 billion follow-up stimulus to continue support for the business community. As you know, the business community is severely hurting right now and your continued commitment to them has been essential. Thank you.

We are contacting you today to encourage continued support for the business community as the full economic impact has yet to be realized. We also ask for your support of organizations like local chambers of commerce, which have been exempt from receiving relief in the recently passed stimulus bills. As local 501(c)6 organizations, we are on the front lines of supporting and assisting our business communities. The business communities we represent are not global mega corporations, but are local companies with local impacts. These small businesses need our support and services now, more than ever. We are committed to be here for them and help them through this crisis. However, this redirection and the economic downtown has put significant strain on our non-profit resources and our organizations are having to respond with significant operations changes.

As you look to continue support for the business community, we ask that you provide direct support to local chambers of commerce and you provide us access to the same economic relief that other small businesses and non-profits have available to them.

We respectfully ask that you include organizations like chambers of commerce, organized as a 501(c)6 entities, in any additional stimulus package that is agreed to.

We will continue working on our member's behalf throughout this pandemic and hope that we, as chambers of commerce, can utilize the support being provided through Congress.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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