

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

September 23, 2025

The Honorable Mike Johnson  
Speaker of the House  
U.S. House of Representatives

Speaker Johnson:

We write to raise serious concerns about the Majority's decision to cancel votes with no plan to fund the government ahead of the shutdown deadline. This is irresponsible and sends a message to our constituents that Congress will not show up to work for them.

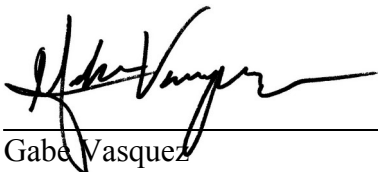
On Friday, it was announced that House GOP Leadership was canceling scheduled voting days on September 29 and 30, leaving the House with zero remaining voting days prior to the government funding deadline. This announcement came moments after the House Republicans' partisan funding package failed in the Senate, putting the government funding debate back at square one. We urge you to work with us to keep the government open, ensuring that soldiers and employees get their paychecks, health care is protected, our public lands stay open, and families can feed their children.

Under our Constitution, one of Congress's most important duties is to fund our government to support critical programs, like health care, public safety, and education. After months of short-term funding bills, kicking the can down the road, and partisan bickering, there remains no viable plan to pass a bipartisan government funding bill. Folks back home know this simple rule – you don't go home until the job is done. When the going gets tough, the tough get to work. Members of Congress need to do the same.

Instead of canceling votes and continuing to push partisan agendas, it is time for the Majority to reach across the aisle and be open to compromise. The September 30 midnight deadline is quickly approaching, but there is still time to craft a bipartisan bill that keeps the government open, prevents health care costs from skyrocketing for millions of Americans, and upholds our constitutional duty.

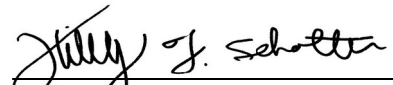
We stand ready to work with you, negotiate in good faith, and find a bipartisan path to avoid a government shutdown that will hurt all the communities we represent.

Sincerely,



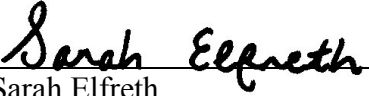
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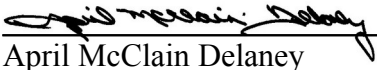
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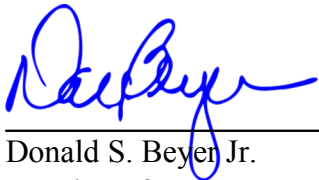
  
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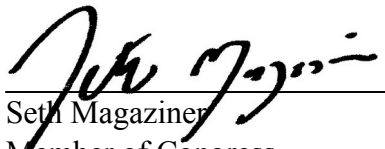
  
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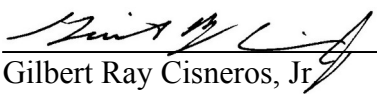
  
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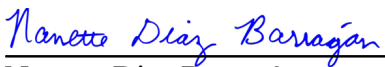
  
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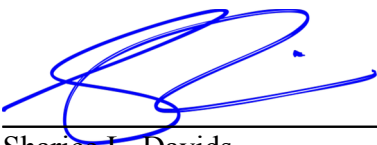
  
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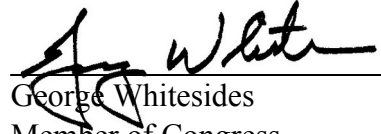
  
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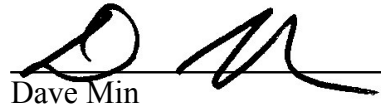
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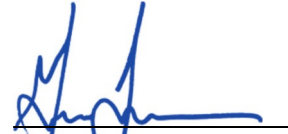


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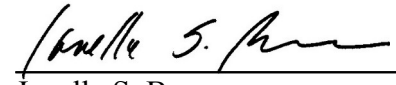
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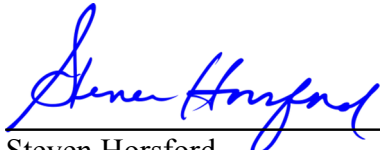
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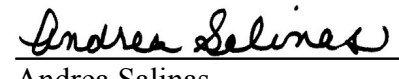
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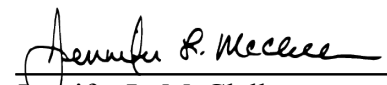
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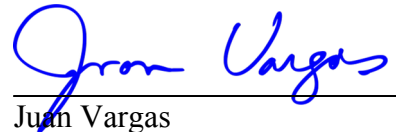
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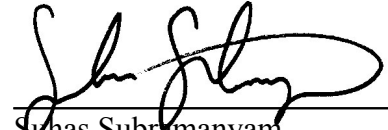
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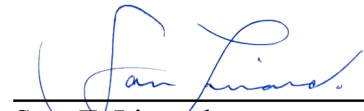
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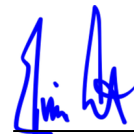
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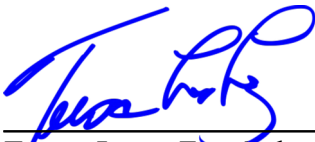
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