

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

October 2, 2020

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

Dear Speaker Pelosi:

Thank you for your efforts to date to negotiate a fifth COVID-19 relief package that is commensurate with the scale of this unprecedented public health and economic crisis. Now that both the White House and House Democrats have put forward serious proposals, we urge you to continue the discussions over the weekend until a deal is achieved. We appreciate your tireless work to secure the best deal for the American people.

Because we have a divided government right now, the only path forward is a bipartisan bill that can pass a Democratic-led House and a Republican-led Senate, and be signed into law by a Republican President. By definition, this compromise bill will contain provisions we as Democrats do not like and omit provisions we want. But our country is in crisis, and we must not let the perfect become the enemy of the good.

As Members of Congress, we must do everything within our power to keep workers connected to their jobs and their employer-sponsored health coverage, assist the unemployed, support our health care workers and health care system, ensure that businesses who do right by their workers are given the necessary resources and protections to survive, and support state, local and tribal governments. Congress should stay here in Washington to keep negotiating, no matter how difficult, and we must reach an agreement.

Sincerely,



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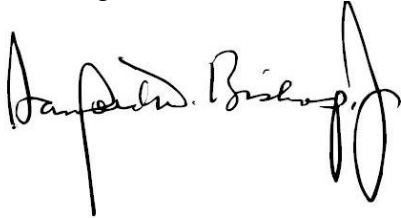
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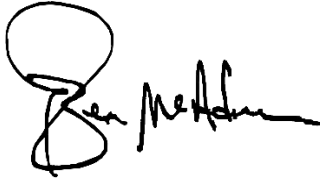
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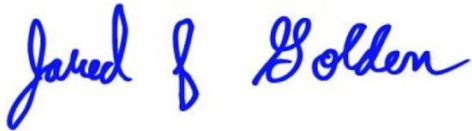
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