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The Honorable Chuck Schumer Majority Leader U.S. Senate Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Mitch McConnell Minority Leader U.S. Senate Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy Minority Leader U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Majority Leader Schumer, Minority Leader McConnell, Speaker Pelosi and Minority Leader McCarthy,

We, the undersigned businesses and trade associations collectively employing millions of Americans, write to urge Congress to take immediate action to reverse a harmful tax change that threatens jobs and innovation in America.

Innovation is one of America's greatest strengths and a significant contributor to job and economic growth, competitiveness and national security. It is for these reasons that for nearly 70 years the tax code has recognized the importance of research and development by allowing businesses to fully deduct their R&D expenses in the same year. However, beginning this year, businesses must amortize or deduct these expenses over a period of years, making R&D more costly to conduct in the U.S.

Failing to reverse this change will cost well-paying jobs and reduce future innovation-directed R&D. Requiring the amortization of research expenses will reduce R&D spending and lead to a loss of more than 20,000 R&D jobs in the first five years with the number of lost jobs rising to nearly 60,000 over the following five years. Moreover, when accounting for the spillover effect from R&D spending, nearly three times as many jobs will be affected. This same study also found that for every \$1 billion in R&D spending, 17,000 jobs are supported in the U.S.

As a result of this change, the U.S. is now one of two developed countries requiring the amortization of R&D expenses. Meanwhile, China currently provides a super deduction for R&D expenses up to an extra 100% of eligible R&D expenses in addition to actual R&D expenses. At a time of increasingly fierce global competition for research dollars, this change will make it harder for the next R&D dollar to be spent in the U.S. which will ultimately hurt future U.S. competitiveness.

The amortization requirement also poses a serious threat to our national security if not reversed. As the National Science and Technology Council has noted, R&D investments "are essential to

¹ See EY, Impact of the Amortization of Certain R&D Expenditures on R&D Spending in the U.S. at i (2019), https://investinamericasfuture.org/ey-impact-of-the-amortization-of-certain-rd-expenditures-on-rd-spending-in-the-united-states/.

ensure that the United States remains able to secure and protect the American people in the face" of other countries increasing support for R&D.²

For these reasons, we respectfully urge Congress to act without delay to ensure that the tax code continues to support innovation as doing so will help secure America's global leadership in innovation and its economic and national security future.

Signed,

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A Raymond Corporate North America Inc.

Raymond Corporate NA

AbbVie

Abicor Binzel USA, INC.

Absolute Technologies

Accu-Mold, LLC

AdvaMed

Advance Engineering Company

AECOM

Aerospace Industries Association

Agios Pharmaceuticals

AICC, The Independent Packaging Association

Air-Conditioning, Heating & Refrigeration Institute

Alaska Chamber

Albert Basse Associates, Inc.

Alliance for Automotive Innovation

Alliance for Competitive Taxation

Allied Systems Company

AMD, Inc.

American Automotive Policy Council (AAPC)

American Bakers Association

American Chemistry Council

American Cleaning Institute

American Colors, Inc.

American Composites Manufacturers Association

American Council of Engineering Companies

American Forest & Paper Association

American Foundry Society

American Frozen Food Institute

American Mold Builders Association

American Welding Society

American Woodmark Corporation

Ames Chamber of Commerce

Amkor Technology

Amkor Technology, Inc.

Ampere Computing

AMT- The Association For Manufacturing Technology

Analog Devices, Inc.

² Subcommittee on Research and Development Infrastructure, Committee on Science and Technology Enterprise of the National Science and Technology Council, National Strategic Overview for Research and Development Infrastructure at 23 (October 2021).

AnyLogic North America, LLC

Applied Materials, Inc.

Aptiv

AR State Chamber/AIA

ARC-Tronics Inc.

Arizona Builders Alliance

Arizona Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Arizona Manufacturers Council

Asheville Area Chamber of Commerce (NC)

ASML

Associated Industries of Florida

Associated Industries of Missouri

Associated Industries of Vermont

Association for Uncrewed Vehicle Systems International

Association of Washington Business

Astera Labs, Inc.

AT&T

Automated Pet Care Products, LLC (dba Whisker)

Autos Drive America

Avencell Therapeutics

AVL North America

Baker Hughes

Ball Corporation

BC Partners, LLC

Beeline.com

Bell's Brewery

Biotechnology Innovation Organization

B-K Tool & Design, Inc.

Black Buffalo, Inc.

Bluewater Technologies Group, Inc.

BorgWarner Inc.

Boulder Scientific Company, LLC

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Brick Industry Association

Bristol TN/VA Chamber of Commerce

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Business & Industry Association of New Hampshire

Business Council of Alabama

The Business Council of New York State, Inc.

Business Roundtable

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California Manufacturers & Technology Association

Cambria Regional Chamber (PA)

Can Manufacturers Institute

Capital Area Manufacturing Council (MI)

Cardinal FG

Cardinal Glass Industries

The Carpet and Rug Institute

Carrier

Cascade Die Casting Group, Inc.

Cashco, Inc.

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Cedar Rapids Metro Economic Alliance (IA)

Cellulose Insulation Manufacturers Association

Certis Oncology Solutions, Inc.

Chamber of Commerce Hawaii

ChargePoint, Inc.

Charles River Laboratories International, Inc.

CHROMiX, Inc.

Cirrus Aircraft

Coastal Automotive (MI)

Cognizant Technology Solutions

Colorado Advanced Manufacturing Association

Colorado Chamber of Commerce

Compass Mortgage, Inc.

Composite Panel Association

Composites International, Inc.

Computing Technology Industry Association

Connecticut Business & Industry Association

Contemporary Control Systems, Inc.

Continental

Core Health & Fitness, LLC

Corning Incorporated

Council Bluffs Area Chamber of Commerce (IA)

Council of Industry of Southeastern New York (NY)

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Dearborn Holding Company, LLC

Delaware Manufacturing Association

DENSO International America, Inc.

Detroit Manufacturing Systems

Dunn-Edwards Corporation

Eastman

Eaton

ECIA - Electronic Components Industry Association

Edgewater Automation, LLC

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EFK Moen, LLC

Energy Workforce & Technology Council (TX)

ENGLAND, THIMS & MILLER, INC.

EOTECH

F&S Tool, Inc.

Falcon Plastics Inc.

Faurecia

Federal Equipment Company

Feyen-Zylstra, LLC

The Fynder Group, Inc.

Financial Executives International (FEI)

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Ford

Forging Industry Association

Fragrance Creators Association

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GECOM Corp

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General Dynamics

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Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce (PA)

Greater Yakima Chamber of Commerce (WA)

Gresham Smith

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Haltec Corporation

Helicopter Association International (HAI)

Helms Performance Group

Hendrickson USA LLC

Honeywell

Hornady Mfg. Co.

Howe Corporation

HP Inc.

Hunter Industries

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Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry

Illinois Manufacturers' Association

Image Options

ImageMark Business Services, Inc.

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INDA - Association for the Nonwoven Fabrics Industry

Independent Can Company

Indiana Manufacturers Association

Induron Coatings, LLC

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International Sleep Products Assn

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Jessup Manufacturing

JOST International Corporation

Kansas Chamber and the Kansas Manufacturing Council

Keats Manufacturing Co.

Kennametal Inc.

Kentucky Association of Manufacturers

Kimberly-Clark

Koppers Inc.

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Lechler, Inc.

Leggett & Platt, Inc.

Lockheed Martin Corporation

Louisiana Pacific Building Solutions

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MBO America

Mercury Systems

Merritt Aluminum Products Company

Merritt Trailers Inc.

Metal Powder Industries Federation

Metals Service Center Institute

Metalsa Structural Products, Inc.

Metro Atlanta Chamber (GA)

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Michigan Polymer Reclaim, Inc.

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Micron Technology, Inc.

MIFAB, Inc.

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Miniature Custom Mfg., LLC

Minnesota Chamber of Commerce

Mississippi Manufacturers Association

Modernistic Inc

Montana Chamber of Commerce

Morrell Group

Morrison Products, Inc.

Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association (MEMA)

National Association of Chemical Distributors (NACD)

National Association of Manufacturers (NAM)

National Bulk Equipment, Inc.

National Business Aviation Association

National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA)

National Electrical Manufacturers Association

National Marine Manufacturers Association

National Tooling and Machining Association

National Wooden Pallet & Container Association

Natural Alternatives International, Inc.

North Carolina Chamber

NCTA - The Internet & Television Association

Nebraska Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Nelson Irrigation Corporation

Nevada Manufacturers Association

New Balance Athletics

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New Jersey Business & Industry Association

New Mexico Business Coalition

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Niowave, Inc.

Non-Ferrous Founders' Society

North American Association of Food Equipment Manufacturers (NAFEM)

North American Die Casting Association

North Carolina Manufacturers Alliance (NCMA)

Northeast Pennsylvania Manufacturers & Employers Association

Northrop Grumman Corporation

Novartis

NSSF

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The Oakwood Group

The Ohio Manufacturers' Association

O-I

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O'Neal Industries, Inc.

Onsemi

Oregon Business & Industry

Outform

Owens Corning

Panasonic Corporation of North America

Parsons Corporation

PBS Engineering and Environmental Inc.

PEI

Pennsylvania Chamber of Business & Industry

Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association

PFI Holdco LLC

Pioneer Service Inc

Piston Group LLC

Plante & Moran, PLLC

Plastic Plate, LLC

Plastics Industry Association

Plumbing Manufacturers International

PMA Technologies LLC

PMMI The Association for Packaging and Processing Technologies

Polymeric US

Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute

Precision Machined Products Association

Precision Metalforming Association

Prestige Printing

Pridgeon & Clay, Inc.

Printing United Alliance

Professional Services Council (PSC)

Qualcomm Incorporated

Quanergy Systems, Inc.

Quasonix, Inc.

R L Industries Inc.

Rare Disease Company Coalition

Raytheon Technologies

Regal Rexnord Corporation

Rennco Automation

Request Foods Inc

Rhode Island Manufacturers Association

RL Industries, Inc.

Roanoke Regional Chamber of Commerce (VA)

Robert Bosch LLC

Rockwell Automation Inc.

Rolls-Royce North America

Rosti North America (FKA: Plastic Components, Inc.)

RP Abrasives

RTM ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS

Rubadue Wire Co., Inc.

SABIC

Sarepta Therapeutics

Schaeffler Group USA

Schuylkill Chamber of Commerce

Scot Forge

Semiconductor Industry Association

Sequoia Automatic, Inc.

Shape Corp.

Silicon Valley Tax Directors Group

Simmons Knife & Saw

Skilled Manufacturing, Inc.

Skyworks Solutions

Society of Chemical Manufacturers & Affiliates

Somerset County Chamber of Commerce (PA)

Source Elements

Source3Media

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Span Tech LLC

Specialty Tooling Systems

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Star Plastics, LLC

The State Chamber of Oklahoma

Stealth BioTherapeutics

Steel Manufacturers Association

Sturdy Corporation

T. Baker Smith, LLC

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Tata Technologies Inc.

TechNet

Technoform Glass Insulation NA Inc

Tenable

Tennessee Chamber and Manufacturers Association

Texas Association of Business

Texas Association of Manufacturers

Texas Instruments Incorporated

Textile Care Allied Trades Association

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Thomas & Hutton Engineering Co.

The Timken Company

Tooling Systems Group, Inc.

Trabon Printing Company, Inc.

Trademark Die & Engineering Inc.

Treated Wood Council

Triangle Package Machinery Company

Tri-Merit, LLC

Truck Trailer Manufacturers Association, Inc.

U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Umicore USA Inc

United Therapeutics Corp.

Utah Manufacturers Association

V3 Companies, Ltd.

Valley Industrial Association

Verizon

Vermeer Corporation

Versa-Tags, Inc.

Vinyl Institute

Walker Tool & Die, Inc.

Water and Wastewater Equipment Manufacturers Association

Wells Printing Co., Inc.

West Virginia Manufacturers Association

Westmoreland County Chamber of Commerce (PA)

WestRock

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The Willamette Valley Company LLC

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The Honorable Richard Neal
The Honorable Kevin Brady