

May 12, 2020

The Honorable Mitch McConnell Majority Leader United States Senate Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Charles Schumer Minority Leader United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Leader McConnell and Minority Leader Schumer,

Thank you for your leadership during this unprecedented time. The COVID-19 pandemic has greatly impacted the motorcoach industry with nearly 3,000 companies shutting down and almost 100,000 employees being laid off. As discussions continue for a phase four stimulus package, we write to ask you to include provisions for the U.S. motorcoach industry.

Providing nearly 600 million passenger trips annually, the motorcoach industry provides transportation for communities large and small. They bring tourists to our National Parks, provide transportation for workers commuting into urban centers, and provide critical connections for rural and underserved communities to reach necessary services, resulting in fewer cars on the road and lower vehicle emissions. The motorcoach industry is also instrumental in the nation's emergency response capabilities, by providing evacuation services to federal and state emergency management agencies, and to the U.S. Department of Defense by providing for the movement of troops and their equipment for training and deployment.

We look forward to working with you to support this critical transportation industry in a future relief package. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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