United States Congress Washington DC, 20510

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The Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr. President of the United States The White House Washington, DC 20500

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker of the House U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Chuck Schumer Majority Leader U.S. Senate Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Pete Buttigieg Secretary U.S. Department of Transportation Washington, DC 20590

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

The Honorable Mitch McConnell Minority Leader U.S. Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear President Biden, Secretary Buttigieg, Speaker Pelosi, and Leaders Schumer, McCarthy, and McConnell:

We write to you as members of the bipartisan Problem Solvers Caucus, a group of 29 Republicans and 29 Democrats in the House of Representatives who work together to find common ground on issues of pressing concern to our communities. As the 117th Congress begins to debate various infrastructure proposals, we are writing to ask that you continue to promote a bipartisan path forward. The Problem Solvers Caucus has officially endorsed this position, garnering the support of more than 75 percent of Members.

Infrastructure has long been one of our nation's most important needs. We believe that a bipartisan bill would summon the highest level of support for the large investment needed to repair and modernize our infrastructure for the 21st century. A robust investment in our infrastructure would also create millions of good-paying jobs for hard-working Americans and help accelerate America's post-pandemic economic recovery.

As part of the infrastructure discussion, we wanted to emphasize that the following general principles have bipartisan support within our group:

- Sustainable long-term funding for in-demand projects in our communities;
- Providing overdue investments in critical infrastructure projects, such as broadband deployment, transportation networks, and water infrastructure; and
- Improving the resilience of our nation's infrastructure in the face of natural disasters.

We appreciate the steps you have taken so far to engage Members of both parties in discussions about addressing our country's significant infrastructure challenges. We stand committed to working with you within and beyond our Caucus to ensure this bipartisan issue is able to move forward.

Sincerely,

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