

United States Congress  
Washington DC, 20510

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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
Speaker of the House  
U.S. House of Representatives  
H-232, U.S. Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy  
Minority Leader  
U.S. House of Representatives  
H-204, U.S. Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Pelosi and Leader McCarthy:

As Members of the bipartisan House Problem Solvers Caucus, we are united in the idea that there are commonsense solutions to many of our country's toughest challenges. We are writing to urge a return to regular order in the House, with full committee consideration of legislation and more open rules on the House floor.

With narrow majorities in the House and Senate, we need bipartisan support and solutions to get bills passed in both houses and ultimately signed into law by the President. The best way to do this is by having a deliberative and open process that promotes transparency and allows members to help shape legislation through committee hearings, markups, and floor amendments. We should not be afraid to deliberate and debate.

As you know, in recent weeks, most bills have been fast-tracked to the House floor, bypassing committees; closed rules have constrained Members' ability to offer amendments and provide valuable input on issues that impact all our communities. This has created a rushed process with a lack of Member input and transparency, greatly limiting the potential for success in the Senate, and it is also encouraging dilatory tactics from some in the minority party. A return to regular order will help end that approach, ensure the long-term functionality of the institution, and help prevent damage to the House.

We believe a return to regular order can help build the necessary support from both parties to enact meaningful, bipartisan legislation that creates new possibilities for Americans and addresses many of the challenges impacting our country. The opportunities are endless if we adhere to a process that reflects the best for all Americans – promoting Member input, encouraging collaboration, and championing cooperation.

Sincerely,



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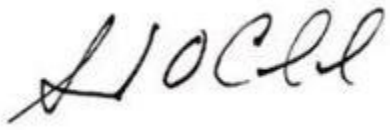
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*This letter has been officially endorsed by the Problem Solvers Caucus, garnering the support of more than 75-percent of the 58-member, bipartisan caucus.*

Cc. Chairman James P. McGovern  
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