



Sept. 26, 2025

The Honorable John Thune
Majority Leader
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Chuck Schumer
Minority Leader
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Chuck Grassley
President Pro Tempore
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Dick Durbin
Minority Whip
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Senators,

As Michigan state legislators, we urgently request you pass a clean, short-term funding extension to avoid a government shutdown that would hurt hardworking Michigan families and communities across our great state. With the Sept. 30 deadline quickly approaching, we endorse the clean bipartisan, House-passed measure and call for immediate Senate approval to avoid an impending disaster.

A federal government shutdown, which Leader Schumer has consistently opposed in previous years, would disrupt pay for service members, first responders and firefighters, while halting critical services for veterans, seniors and families needing nutritional aid. It would weaken Michigan's economy and erode public trust. Michigan families are not interested in more of the Senate Democrats' shameful political games and failure to lead that was rejected last November by the American people; they want a functioning government, led by President Donald J. Trump, that provides effective, efficient services without the waste, fraud and abuse of Democrat administrations.

This clean, bipartisan budget extension — previously supported by Senate Democrats — promotes a continuity of government free of political tactics, while eliminating the dangerously woke policies promoted by the far left that have damaged our state and country over the past four years. To be clear, this is a vehicle to ensure our government is operational. Attempts to sabotage the bill with far-left priorities like free health care for illegal immigrants or slashing the historic investment into rural health care resources from President Trump's historic Working Families Tax Cut

legislation would be a hypocritical slap in the face of hardworking families in our state who are simply trying to make it in Michigan.

It is time for Senate Democrats to accept that their complete and total failure of leadership has been rejected by the American people and keep the federal government running.

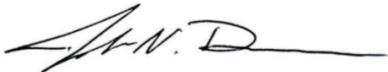
Sincerely,



Senator Aric Nesbitt
Republican Leader, 20th District



Senator Joseph Bellino
16th District



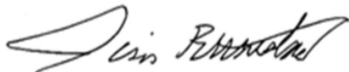
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Representative Matt Hall
Speaker of the House, 42nd District



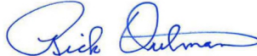
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