

Congressman Raul Ruiz, M.D.
United States House of Representatives, CA 36th District
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Dear Congressman Ruiz,

On behalf of the Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce and our over 1,300 members, I am writing to respectfully urge you to support H.R. 7671, the Small Business Comeback Act that will establish a Recovery Fund to help American enterprise.

Right now, our economy is at a critical juncture, with shuttered storefronts and historic work disruption. Everywhere we look, we are seeing the effects of tremendous economic tumult. This has been especially true of our small business community that has endured not only a shutdown, but a second round of “dimming”. These businesses require urgent help. The Small Business Comeback Act will help ensure businesses have the flexibility and certainty necessary to recover successfully.

The Small Business Comeback Act will directly assist businesses and provide capital to help them recover. In particular, the Recovery Fund established by The Small Business Comeback Act will provide liquidity to help them reopen, rehire employees, and pay operating expenses like rent, utilities, taxes, and all the new costs associated with adjusting to a COVID-19 world.

The initial congressional actions and stimulus plans were good steps, but more must be done to set the American economy on a path toward recovery. Many business owners have been left without aid, and as the pandemic continues, will only face greater hardship, layoffs, and closures.

Our economy is an intricate system that is equally capable of periods of strong growth with proper leadership, while also being highly susceptible to systemic disruption and prolonged decline when not properly supported. At the heart of that economic engine is small business, and right now they need your support. Please work with your fellow members of Congress to pass H.R. 7671. Our Coachella Valley small business community is relying on your leadership!

With regards,



Joshua Bonner
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