

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

September 10, 2014

The Honorable John Boehner
Speaker
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Harry Reid
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Minority Leader
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20510

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

Dear Mr. Speaker, Madam Minority Leader, Mr. Majority Leader, and Mr. Minority Leader,

Ukraine's President Petro O. Poroshenko is expected to visit Washington, D.C. in September 2014. Given the importance of our relationship with Ukraine and the ongoing crisis there, we respectfully ask you to invite President Poroshenko to address a Joint Session of Congress.

Ukraine faces a pivotal moment in its history, and the United States is an important partner in Ukraine's struggle against Russia aggression. From the beginning of the current crisis in Ukraine, the United States has supported the Ukrainian people in their aspirations toward democracy. In the face of an existential threat from Russia, it is more important than ever that the United States and our NATO partners support Ukraine. A joint session with President Poroshenko will show Congressional support for Ukraine while informing Congress of the best ways that we can support the U.S.-Ukraine relationship.

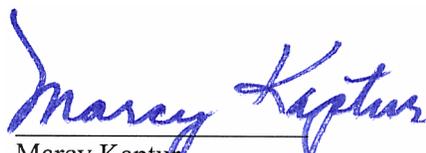
We hope you will extend an invitation to President Poroshenko. Such a gesture will help to deepen and strengthen the relationship between the United States and Ukraine.

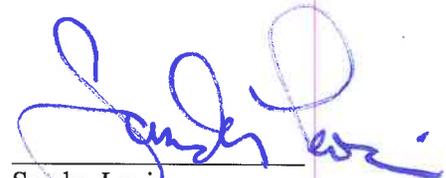
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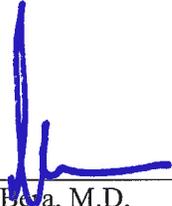
Sincerely,


Mike Quigley
Member of Congress

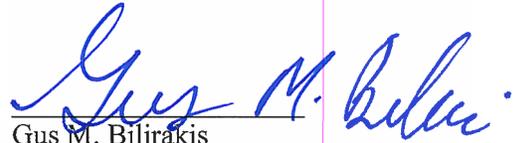

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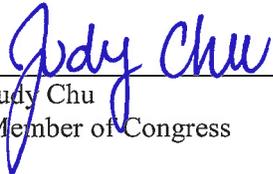

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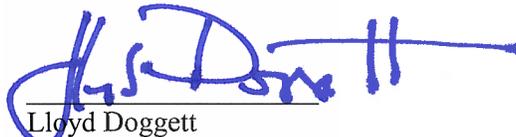
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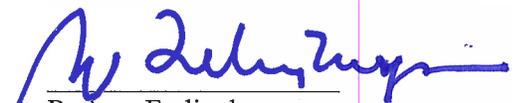
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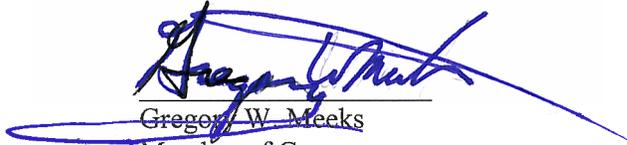
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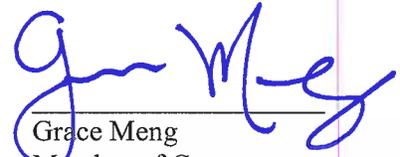
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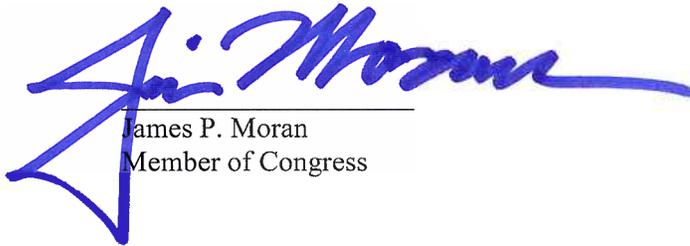
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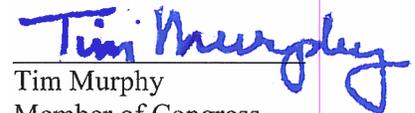
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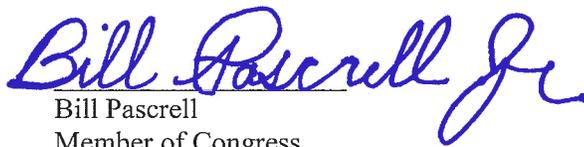
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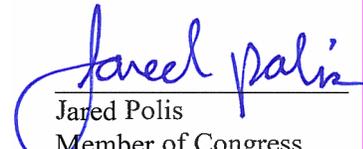

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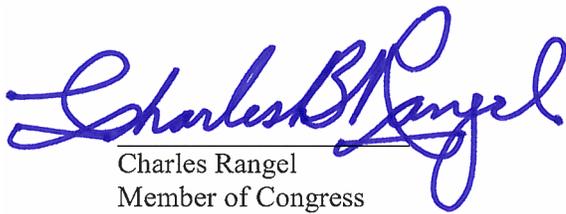

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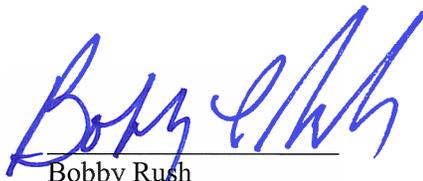

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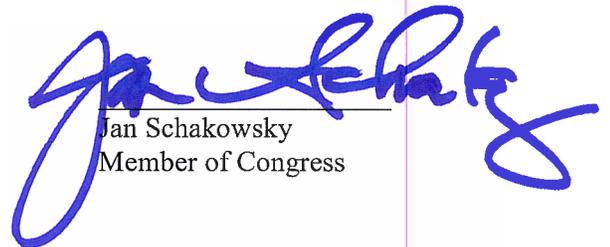

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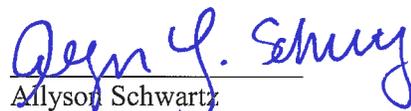

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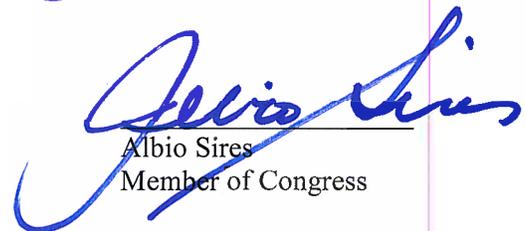

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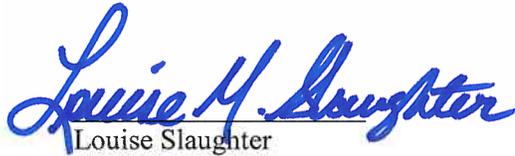

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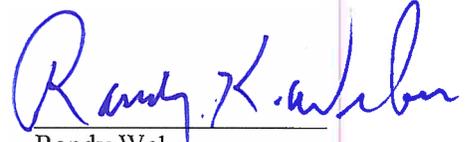
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