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United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator:

The 1.2 million members of the National Association of REALTORS® urge Congress to immediately extend authority for the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

NFIP authority expired on March 28. Consequently, property buyers in 20,000 communities across the United States are no longer able to obtain the flood insurance required by law for the purchase of a home or building. Each day that Congress fails to act, thousands of real-estate transactions are delayed or even cancelled. Allowing the lapse in NFIP authority to continue only exacerbates the many serious economic challenges facing a nation that relies on a vibrant real estate market for its economy.

Homebuyers, small business owners and local communities are waiting on you. Your vote to extend authority will avoid compounding the market uncertainty created by this congressional inaction.

Sincerely,

Vicki Cox Golder, CRB

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