August 10, 2021

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
Speaker of the House  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Speaker Pelosi:

We applaud the work of the bipartisan group of Senators and the Biden Administration for reaching a final agreement on a Bipartisan Infrastructure Framework. This agreement, which is consistent with our proposal, has the support of the bipartisan Problem Solvers Caucus — 29 Democrats and 29 Republicans. It proves that Congress can work together, across the aisle in both chambers, to address our nation’s most pressing needs. As soon as the Senate completes its work, we must bring this bipartisan infrastructure bill to the House floor for a standalone vote. This once-in-a-century investment deserves its own consideration, without regard to other legislation.

After years of waiting, we cannot afford unnecessary delays to finally deliver on a physical infrastructure package. It will create millions of good-paying jobs and boost economic growth, address lead in children’s drinking water, repair our crumbling bridges, tunnels, and railways, make investments in electric vehicles, and upgrade the nation’s power infrastructure to help deliver clean energy and resiliency. As we continue to recover from the pandemic, the American people are counting on us to drive real results for them in every single Congressional district.

Separately, as we begin the reconciliation process, we have concerns about the specific components of that potential package. Before the House adopts a budget resolution, Members of Congress should be able to review a detailed scope of spending levels and revenue raisers. These specifics are crucial, particularly given the combined threat of rising inflation, national debt, and the trillions recently, and appropriately, allocated to the COVID-19 emergency. We also need to have the financial resources to respond to any new waves of the pandemic.

Thank you for your continued leadership and service to our nation. We stand ready to enact bipartisan infrastructure legislation, and we hope to have your support in delivering this standalone bipartisan victory for the American people.

Sincerely,

Josh Gottheimer  
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