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The Honorable Diane Black
Chairman
House Committee on the Budget
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable John Yarmuth
Ranking Member
House Committee on the Budget
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Black and Ranking Member Yarmuth:

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce urges the swift adoption of the draft Fiscal Year 2018 concurrent budget resolution with reconciliation instructions to facilitate the passage of comprehensive tax reform.

It has been 31 years since Congress last reformed the tax code. The antiquated, uncompetitive tax code hurts American businesses and workers. Comprehensive tax reform can spur economic growth, create jobs, raise wages, and strengthen America's global competitiveness.

You and your colleagues in Congress have a once-in-a-generation opportunity to enact pro-growth tax reform, and that process begins with passage of the pending budget resolution.

The Chamber also commends the Committee's focus on restraining spending and reforming our nation's entitlement programs. Federal entitlement spending is on an unsustainable path, ultimately harming the economy and America's long-term prosperity.

The Chamber urges the Committee to favorably report the Fiscal Year 2018 budget resolution as expeditiously as practicable.

Sincerely,



Neil L. Bradley

cc: Members of the House Committee on the Budget