September 25, 2023

Jessica Looman
Principal Deputy Administrator
Wage and Hour Division
Department of Labor
Room S-3502
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20210

RE: Extension Request for Notice of Proposed
Exemptions for Executive, Administrative, Professional, Outside Sales, and Computer
-AA39)

Dear Principal Deputy Administrator Looman:

The Partnership to Protect Workplace Opportunity (PPWO) and the 107 undersigned organizations write to you to request a 60-above-referenced notice of proposed rulemaking in order to provide the regulated community with sufficient time to analyze and respond to t changes to the overtime pay exemptions for executive, administrative, professional, outside sales, and computer employees.

PPWO is a coalition of a diverse group of associations, businesses, and other stakeholders representing employers with millions of employees across the country in almost every industry. Formed in 2014, the Partnership is dedicated to advocating for the interests of its members in the regulatory debate on changes to the Fair Labor Standards Act members believe that employees and employers alike are best served with a system that promotes maximum flexibility in structuring employee hours, career advancement opportunities for employees, and clarity for employers when classifying employees.

The proposed rulemaking includes a nearly 55% increase in the minimum salary threshold and automatically updates the threshold every three years. These are significant changes that will have a massive impact on the economy and millions of current and future workers. Additional time is needed in the comment period to allow the regulated community to analyze the rulemaking, fully assess the potential impact the changes will have on the economy, business operations, and workers, and develop comprehensive comments.

In addition, Executive Order 12866 and federal case law support additional time to comment. EO **not less than** 

60 days

is reasonable and will ensure WHD will receive meaningful information, such as more accurate and informative comments and better understand how the economy and workers will be impacted by the changes being considered.

PPWO and the undersigned organizations strongly urge WHD to extend the comment period by 60 days. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

## Sincerely,

AASA, The School Superintendents Association

AICC, The Independent Packaging Association

Air Conditioning Contractors of America

American Association of Advertising Agencies (4A's)

American Bakers Association

American Bankers Association

American Bus Association

American Car Rental Association

American Council of Engineering Companies

American Council of Independent Laboratories

American Council on Education

American Foundry Society

American Hotel & Lodging Association

American Pipeline Contractors Association

American Road & Transportation Builders Association

American Society of Travel Advisors (ASTA)

American Staffing Association

American Supply Association

AmericanHort

Amusement & Music Operators Association

**Associated Builders and Contractors** 

**Associated Equipment Distributors** 

Association of Educational Service Agencies

Association of School Business Officials International (ASBO)

Construction Industry Round Table

Family Business Coalition

FMI - The Food Industry Association

Foodservice Equipment Distributors Association

Global Cold Chain Alliance

Heating, Air-conditioning, & Refrigeration Distributors International

HR Policy Association

IAAPA, the global association for the attractions industry

IHRSA The Health & Fitness Association

Independent Community Bankers of America

**Independent Electrical Contractors** 

Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of America (Big "I")

National Wooden Pallet & Container Association

NATSO, Representing America's Travel Plazas and Truckstops

Ohio Society of CPAs

Outdoor Amusement Business Association

Outdoor Power Equipment and Engine Service Association

Pennsylvania Food Merchants Association

Petroleum Equipment Institute (PEI)

Portland Cement Association

Power & Communication Contractors Association

Precision Machined Products Association

Precision Metalforming Association

Public Sector HR Association (PSHRA)

Retail Industry Leaders Association (RILA)

**Saturation Mailers Coalition** 

SIGMA: America's Leading Fuel Marketers

Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council

**Textile Care Allied Trades Association** 

The Associated General Contractors of America

The Transportation Alliance

TRSA - The Linen, Uniform and Facility Services Association

U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Virginia Small Business Partnership

WASDA - Water & Sewer Distributors of America

Window & Door Manufacturers Association

Workplace Solutions Association