March 23, 2020

Dear Majority Leader McConnell, Minority Leader Schumer, Speaker Pelosi and Minority Leader McCarthy:

On behalf of the Alzheimer’s Association and the Alzheimer’s Impact Movement (AIM), including our nationwide network of advocates, thank you for your continued work to address the needs of nonprofits, like the Alzheimer’s Association, that are urgent as the coronavirus pandemic affects Americans. COVID-19 presents unique challenges for more than 5 million Americans living with Alzheimer’s and their 16 million caregivers. The Alzheimer’s Association helps these patients and families across the country and provides critical funding towards medical research and our nation’s caregivers. We greatly appreciate efforts to address the specific challenges of nonprofits. That said, we are concerned the needs of nonprofits are not being fully addressed.

We write today requesting that the final package:

- **Ensure all nonprofits qualify for new, emergency small business loans: remove the 500 employee cap on nonprofits.**
  - SBA loans can be the best way for charities to rapidly access needed funds to sustain business operations. All charities, regardless of the number of employees, should be eligible to receive up to $10M in business interruption loans as quickly as possible.

- **Expressly provide charitable nonprofits with $60B in any emergency funding proposals.**
  - The charitable sector needs an immediate infusion of $60 billion. A mechanism must be constructed for a rapid infusion of cash to those organizations serving immediate needs in communities facing lost and declining revenue due to the pandemic.

- **Create a robust universal charitable deduction and allow post March 1, 2020, donations to be claimed on 2019 and future tax returns.**
  - Incentives for immediate charitable giving would ensure a rapid infusion of cash to those organizations serving immediate needs in communities facing lost and declining revenue due to the pandemic.
Again, the Alzheimer’s Association and AIM deeply appreciate your continued leadership on behalf of all Americans living with Alzheimer’s and other dementia. If you have any questions about this or any other legislation, please contact Rachel Conant, Vice President of Federal Affairs, at rconant@alz-aim.org or at 202.638.7121.

Sincerely,

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