

November 28, 2023

Dick Durbin, Chair  
Senate Judiciary Committee  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Lindsey Graham, Ranking Member  
Senate Judiciary Committee  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Jim Jordan, Chair  
House Judiciary Committee  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Jerry Nadler, Ranking Member  
House Judiciary Committee  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 2051

Dear Chairman Durbin, Chairman Jordan, Ranking Member Graham, and Ranking Member Nadler:

We, the undersigned companies in this letter, are H-2B program users in the construction industry. This letter is meant to convey our enthusiastic endorsement of Senator Graham and Padilla's "Seasonal Employment Protection Act."

This bill provides permanent workforce certainty to most current users of the program in construction occupations. Through the certified employer provision, employers with a record of H-2B program participation and compliance would be eligible for an H-2B visa cap exemption based on demonstrated historical workforce needs.

We acknowledge the bill restricts access for most of the industry going forward but all *current* program users in the construction industry would be grandfathered in. We can access the program going forward and would be eligible for the certified employer provision. As such this bill provides unprecedented workforce certainty to current program users in construction occupations.

Currently, H-2B visa demand vastly outpaces supply. In 2023, the Department of Labor certified 223000 positions yet the H-2B visa cap remains at 66000 visas annually. Thousands of eligible employers find themselves "capped out" every year. The program, in its current form, is exclusionary to all employers and occupations attempting to access it. This bill would provide much-needed certainty for long-time H-2B employers, including those in construction occupations.

We believe the "Seasonal Employment Protection Act" represents the best opportunity for future H-2B program solvency and we urge members of Congress to cosponsor this historic legislation.

Sincerely,

Concrete Masonry and Hardscapes Association  
Natural Stone Institute

Alabama  
All-South Subcontractors  
Ikaros  
Tenax Enterprises

Arizona  
Erickson Framing AZ  
Hesscor, Inc.

Re-Create Companies  
California  
D.H.R. Construction

Reyes Single Ply Roofing  
MasterCorp

Colorado

Aplin Masonry of Telluride  
Berich Masonry  
Harvey Contractors  
Loukonen Bros. Stone Co.  
Lyons Sandstone  
Milagro stone Company  
Miller Wall Company  
Red Canyon Roofing  
Stucco Works, Inc.  
TCC Roofing Contractors  
Turner Morris Inc.  
Vintage Stone Company

Connecticut

MDF Coatings

Delaware

Ayala Painting

Florida

Advanced Roofing  
Nidy Sports Construction  
Company  
Sterling Construction  
Contractors  
Trimmers Holiday Decor

Georgia

Pinnacle Construction and  
Development

Idaho

Alpine Concrete  
Chavez Masonry  
Wright Brothers  
The Building Company  
Zacatecas Concrete

Illinois

D7 ROOFING  
Herrera Masonry  
Jamie And Sons Painting  
Kehrer Brothers West  
Roofing

Indiana

AMP Masonry

B&L Sheet Metal and  
Roofing  
Castor Construction  
Dan Cristiani Excavating Co.  
DC Construction Services  
DiMambro Construction LLC

Iowa

Straight Up Framing

Kansas

Meridian Roofing Solutions  
Woolfer Construction &  
Irrigation

Kentucky

ABR Construction  
Central Paving Company of  
Paducah  
Monin Construction  
R & M Fence and  
Construction  
Thoroughbred Contractors  
Verastegui Brothers Masonry

Maine

Aquatic Development  
Northern Pool & Spa  
NS Giles Foundation  
Rockport Granite  
Stoney Brook Landscaping

Maryland

Chad Accipiter  
Priority Construction  
Corporation

Massachusetts

Andrews Gunit Co.  
Raffaele Construction

Michigan

Action Painting Restorations  
Duckworth Brothers  
Hoekstra Roofing Company  
Martino Enterprises  
Mid-American Contract  
Carpet  
Trenchless Solutions  
Visionary Construction

Mississippi

J.J. Ferguson Prestress-  
Precast Co.  
McBride Co.

Missouri

5G Masonry  
Bright-Mann Contracting  
C & C Seamless Guttering  
Houska Golf Construction  
Pro Painters Painting  
Corporation  
Raygoza Contracting  
Services  
The River Masonry and  
Construction  
Vee-Jay Cement Contracting  
Co

Montana

Schrock Commercial Roofing

Nebraska

RLH Enterprises

Nevada

Erickson Framing NV

New Hampshire

Cretepavers  
Joe & Sam Patterson  
Partnership  
Rainscape Lawn Sprinkler  
Systems  
Twin State Paving

New Mexico

Milagro stone Company

New York

Brian McDonald  
Construction  
Collishaw and Collishaw  
Complete Perfection  
Construction  
Hesperus Corp.  
Jim Field & Sons Painting  
JN Corcoran  
Lake Champlain Roofing  
Holdings

Nassau Builders  
R A White Construction  
Tortorella Swimming Pools

#### North Carolina

Chesapeake Containment  
Systems  
M&R Forestry Service  
Radco Construction Services  
The Hamlin Companies  
WNC Washing and Staining

#### North Dakota

All Finish Concrete  
Daniel Hogfoss  
Dirt Dynamics  
Monsters Contracting  
Sair Concrete  
Tecta America Dakotas

#### Ohio

ALBA Contractors  
Armada Poured Walls  
Cianci Construction Group  
Groover Roofing & Siding  
J. Kuhn Enterprises  
Mills Fence Co.  
Morris Painting  
Regency Roofing Companies  
RJK Roofing Solutions  
Runyon & Sons Roofing  
Slate Copper and Tile  
Roofing  
Towne Construction Services  
FKA Townscapes

#### Oklahoma

Hub Construction  
LC Roofing & Construction

#### Pennsylvania

A. H. Cornell & Son .  
Albert G. Cipolloni Jr &  
Sons .  
Buildings and Builders  
Company  
Burns and Scalo Roofing  
Comapny

Collier Foundation Systems  
Dusty's Concrete Pumping  
Kelly General Contracting  
Kesten Poured Wall  
Kinsley Construction  
Luchette Concrete  
McClelland Concrete  
Pristine Pools  
Ryan Davies Painting  
Company  
Scalo Solar Solutions  
The Adirondack Group  
TurnKey Foundations  
Unitex Asphalt Services  
Wichman Landscape  
Construction  
WM. Prescott Roofing &  
Remodeling  
Wright of Pennsylvania

#### South Dakota

Big Dog Concrete  
DeGroot Concrete &  
Construction  
Journey Group Companies  
Keleher Concrete

#### Tennessee

Aloha Pools & Spas of Union  
City and Jonesboro  
Aloha Pools of Jackson  
Byard Construction  
PR Marine Construction  
Precise Concrete Works  
The Pool and Spa Depot

#### Texas

A&M Tile and Plastering  
Alvarado Sand & Gravel  
American Irrigation Repair  
Bahena Construction  
Company  
Brummett Concrete  
Enoch Electric  
Estrada Flooring  
Fazzone Construction Co.  
Future Concrete Construction  
Hellas Construction

Henderson Concrete  
Highway 19 Construction  
J4 Fencing & Services, LLC  
J R West Texas Concrete  
J&M Pool Plastering  
J.M. Yanez Construction  
Junior Construction  
Company  
Medellin Concrete Chipping  
Services  
Modern Method Gunitite  
MPB  
PNK Ag Management  
Rain Seal Master Roofing &  
Sheet Metal  
Smalley Homes

#### Utah

Craighead Building Company  
Elite Hardscapes  
LMS Fencing  
RK Harris  
Turf Sprinkler Company  
Unified Business Alliance

#### Vermont

Dayco  
NMP Golf Construction Corp

#### Virginia

Gorilla Contracting  
HRC Incorporated  
K U Forming  
Monterrey Concrete  
National Pools of Roanoke  
Parking Lot Maintenance  
Shirley Contracting Company

#### Washington

Absolute Quality Siding

#### West Virginia

Dura-Trac Flooring

#### Wyoming

JEI Concrete & Excavation

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