



**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

December 4, 2020

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
Speaker  
U.S. House of Representatives  
H-232 U.S. Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy  
Minority Leader  
U.S. House of Representatives  
H-204 U.S. Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate  
S-230, The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Charles Schumer  
Minority Leader  
United States Senate  
S-221, The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Speaker Pelosi, Leader McConnell, Leader Schumer and Leader McCarthy,

As you work to negotiate and finalize a Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Appropriations bill, we respectfully request that language be included that prohibits any FY21 funding in the State, Foreign Operations, and Related Agencies bill being used to move the United States' embassy out of Jerusalem.

As you may know, in 1995 Congress passed by overwhelming bipartisan majorities in the House and Senate and President Clinton signed into law P.L. 104-45, the Jerusalem Embassy Act of 1995. This legislation established as United States policy that Jerusalem be recognized as the capital of the State of Israel and that the U.S. embassy in Israel be established in Jerusalem no later than 1999. This legislation also enjoyed the vote of Senator McConnell, then-Representative Schumer, and Representative Pelosi.

Since passage of the Jerusalem Embassy Act, presidents have exercised their waiver authority to delay movement of the embassy and recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital. This exercise of presidential waivers ended when President Donald Trump recognized Jerusalem as the capital of Israel in December 2017 and relocated the U.S. embassy to Jerusalem in May 2018. This move was heralded by Prime Minister Netanyahu at the opening of the embassy as a "great day for our fantastic partnership" and "a great day for peace."

In a time when we are seeing the increasing normalization of relations between Israel and its Arab neighbors, we must ensure that the United States does not take a step backward by moving the U.S. embassy out of Jerusalem, which is why we seek the prohibition of any FY21

funding in the State, Foreign Operations, and Related Agencies bill being used to move the United States' embassy out of Jerusalem.

Sincerely,



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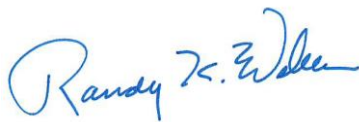
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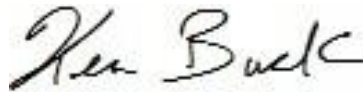
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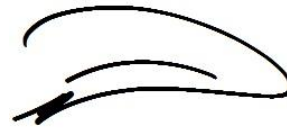
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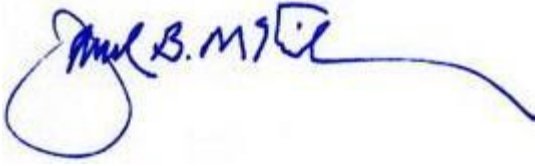
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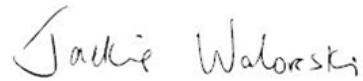
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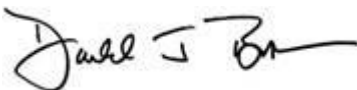
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