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Hon. Mitch McConnell, Majority Leader
United States Senate
S-230, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20510

Mazen Alsabe
NORTHEAST

Dear Leader McConnell:

Joel Funfar
SPEEA

As both the Eastern Federal Area Vice President of the International Federation of Professional & Technical Engineers (IFPTE) and the President of the Engineering Association, IFPTE Local 1937 (EA-Local 1937), and representing federal workers in your home State of Kentucky, I am writing on behalf of the more than 10,000 IFPTE represented federal employees who are impacted by the current government shutdown. While our local members from the EA-Local 1937 are employed at the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) and are not impacted directly by this shutdown, we have great concern for our brothers and sisters who have now been out of work longer than with any other shutdown.

Laurence Griffin
WESTERN

Gay Henson
EASTERN FEDERAL

As a leader from Kentucky, and our nation, with the acute ability and history of finding compromise in difficult situations, you are in a unique position to lead our nation out of this current crisis and help to put hundreds of thousands of hard-working Americans back to work. We implore you to do everything in your power to re-open the government and alleviate the pain of so many federal workers who have dedicated their lives, as public servants to the American people, and have now missed paychecks and most assuredly face great human suffering as this shutdown continues.

Misty Hughes-Newman
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John Mader
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Thank you.

Gay Henson,
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