The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy Minority Leader, U.S. House of Representatives The Honorable Charles Schumer Majority Leader, U.S. Senate

The Honorable Mitch McConnell Minority Leader, U.S. Senate

Dear Leaders,

As evangelical Christian leaders from across the United States, we are united in our call for a bold economic recovery and infrastructure package that creates family and community sustaining jobs, addresses the threats of climate change, and defends the health of our families and neighbors.

Just as God can turn bad into good and bring beauty from ashes, we have the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to create a brighter, healthier, and more just future out of the ashes of the COVID-19 crisis. How we choose to rebuild today will shape the lives of generations to come. As faith leaders, we understand this moment as a moral opportunity to partner with Jesus in his mission to bring abundant life to all (John 10:10) by protecting our ecosystems, working for environmental justice and public health, and giving our children the gift of clean air, pure water, a stable climate, and the chance to enjoy God's incredible creation in all its majesty.

We urge you to support historic levels of investment that will safeguard creation, defend our children's health, address the impacts of climate change and pollution from fossil fuel extraction and related industries, and fulfill our moral obligation to leave a healthy world for future generations. We can achieve this by:

- Expanding clean, renewable energy and modernizing our electric grid infrastructure;
- Investing in clean energy innovation;
- Cleaning our air by electrifying transportation infrastructure;
- Creating millions of family-sustaining jobs in clean manufacturing and technology, making the US a leader in 21st century manufacturing;
- Restoring God's creation by investing in nature-based infrastructure and providing employment by reclaiming abandoned mines and plugging orphaned oil and gas wells;
- Reducing household energy cost burdens and energy waste by investing in home energy efficiency and retrofits of critical building infrastructure;
- Investing in clean water infrastructure for all communities;
- Ensuring that clean energy and infrastructure projects increase justice in frontline communities disproportionately harmed by fossil fuel pollution

This historic opportunity to create a healthy, pollution-free world where all people and all of creation can flourish and thrive comes at a truly pivotal moment. Bold, courageous action today can help chart a path toward climate stability, support for communities suffering through the energy transition already underway, and ensure environmental justice for all. Failure to act will secure a more dangerous, deadly, and unpredictable world for generations to come.

History is watching the choices that our leaders make today. Our children are watching. Our God is watching. We urge you to choose life, health, and a future of hope and prosperity for all.

As you do, know that we hold you in our prayers.

Sincerely,

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