



July 20, 2020

The Honorable Roy Blunt
Chairman, Senate Rules Committee
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Amy Klobuchar
Ranking Member, Senate Rules Committee
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Chairman Blunt and Ranking Member Klobuchar,

Thank you for holding this vitally important hearing on the impact the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has had on our elections, and what states and Congress must do to ensure Americans don't have to choose between their health and their vote this November.

On behalf of our more than 4 million members, we believe it's critical that Congress provide states with the \$4 billion experts and election officials have said is necessary to ensure states have the resources they need to protect access to the ballot. This funding would allow states to expand early voting and secure vote-by-mail options, strengthen online voter registration tools, ensure elections officials can manage safe in-person voting sites while protecting the health of poll workers, and educate the public about any changes to voting processes.

The House already included the remaining necessary funding in the HEROES Act passed in May, but so far the Senate has not acted. The next coronavirus relief package must include that funding so it can be quickly distributed to states that need it. With state election budgets strapped due to the economic impact of the virus, there should be no match requirement for states that request the funds.

We are just over 100 days from an election expected to break turnout records and there is a troubling surge in COVID-19 infection rates across the country. State and local election officials must have the resources they need to protect the right to vote amid ongoing fears about the virus.

Our democracy has never stopped because of a crisis--not when Union soldiers mailed in their ballots during the Civil War, not during the 1918 flu pandemic, not ever. We have the tools and resources to protect every American's right to vote and together, with your help, we can do just that.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tiffany Muller". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal stroke at the beginning.

Tiffany Muller
President
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