Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker of the House United States House of Representatives H-232, the Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Madam Speaker:

On behalf of the Congressional Progressive Caucus, I wish to indicate our strong support for H.R.5723 - Social Security 2100: A Sacred Trust and encourage its prompt floor consideration this Congress. This bill's rapid adoption by the House of Representatives will demonstrate Democrats' commitment to furthering the legacy of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt and strengthening the most important anti-poverty program in America's history.

Since the advent of Social Security, Democrats have worked steadfastly for nearly a century to build on that landmark achievement and create a more just society, guaranteeing a life of dignity to our seniors. Social Security 2100: A Sacred Trust upholds this tradition. It increases benefits across the board at a time of higher inflation, protects low-income seniors, widows and widowers, ends wait-times for those with disabilities needing support and more. Crucially, it is paid for by making millionaires and billionaires pay the same rate as everyone else by ensuring the payroll tax is applied to wages above \$400,000.

President Biden has called Social Security a "sacred trust" – a promise made by the federal government to its people. The expeditious House passage of this legislation will show the American people that Democrats are delivering on their promise to protect and improve this lifesaving program.

I urge you to move H.R. 5723, Social Security 2100: A Sacred Trust, to a vote in the House as soon as possible. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter and your continued support for progressives' longstanding priority to strengthen and expand Social Security.

Sincerely,

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CC: Chairman Richard Neal, House Ways and Means Committee