March 13, 2018

United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator:

As the Senate moves steadily toward final passage of the bipartisan Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief and Consumer Protection Act (S. 2155), ICBA would like to thank the 66 Senators who voted for cloture on Chairman Crapo’s substitute amendment yesterday, another critical threshold vote. These Senators were able to set aside the distractions and misinformation that have emerged during the debate over S. 2155 and stay focused on the simple truth that this bill is our best opportunity to enact needed community bank regulatory relief. These community bank supporters include:

Alexander (R-TN)  Barrasso (R-WY)  Bennet (D-CO)
Blunt (R-MO)  Boozman (R-AR)  Burr (R-NC)
Capito (R-WV)  Carper (D-DE)  Cassidy (R-LA)
Cochran (R-MS)  Collins (R-ME)  Coons (D-DE)
Corker (R-TN)  Cornyn (R-TX)  Cotton (R-AR)
Crapo (R-ID)  Cruz (R-TX)  Daines (R-MT)
Donnelly (D-IN)  Enzi (R-WY)  Ernst (R-IA)
Fischer (R-NE)  Flake (R-AZ)  Gardner (R-CO)
Graham (R-SC)  Grassley (R-IA)  Hassan (D-NH)
Hatch (R-UT)  Heitkamp (D-ND)  Heller (R-NV)
Hoekstra (R-NY)  Inhofe (R-OK)  Isakson (R-GA)
Johnson (R-WI)  Jones (D-AL)  Kaine (D-VA)
Kennedy (R-LA)  King (I-ME)  Lankford (R-OK)
Lee (R-UT)  Manchin (D-WV)  McCaskill (D-MO)
McConnell (R-KY)  Moran (R-KS)  Murkowski (R-AK)
Nelson (D-FL)  Perdue (R-GA)  Peters (D-MI)
Portman (R-OH)  Risch (R-ID)  Roberts (R-KS)
 Rounds (R-SD)  Rubio (R-FL)  Sasse (R-NE)
Scott (R-SC)  Shaheen (D-NH)  Shelby (R-AL)
Stabenow (D-MI)  Sullivan (R-AK)  Tester (D-MT)
Thune (R-SD)  Tillis (R-NC)  Toomey (R-PA)
Warner (D-VA)  Wicker (R-MS)  Young (R-IN)

To the Senators listed below who have not voted to advance this bipartisan legislation, we urge you to see past the misinformation, take a fresh look at the provisions of the bill, and consult with the community bankers in your respective states. S. 2155 is focused on relief for community banks from costly and prescriptive regulatory mandates intended for much larger mega-banks. A vote for S. 2155 is a vote for community banks and the communities that depend on them.
Baldwin (D-WI)     Blumenthal (D-CT)     Booker (D-NJ)
Brown (D-OH)      Cantwell (D-WA)     Cardin (D-MD)
Casey (D-PA)      Cortez Masto (D-NV)  Durbin (D-IL)
Feinstein (D-CA)  Gillibrand (D-NY)  Harris (D-CA)
Hirono (D-HI)     Klobuchar (D-MN)    Leahy (D-VT)
Markey (D-MA)     Menendez (D-NJ)    Merkley (D-OR)
Murphy (D-CT)     Murray (D-WA)      Reed (D-RI)
Sanders (I-VT)    Schatz (D-HI)      Schumer (D-NY)
Smith (D-MN)      Udall (D-NM)       Van Hollen (D-MD)
Warren (D-MA)     Whitehouse (D-RI)  Wyden (D-OR)

Finally, those Senators who were not able to vote yesterday include:

Duckworth (D-IL)
Heinrich (D-NM)
McCain (R-AZ)
Paul (R-KY)

We urge all U.S. Senators who declare support for community banks to vote YES on final passage of S. 2155. The time for debate and deliberation is over.

ICBA and America’s community banks thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

/s/

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