March 15, 2018

United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator:

The nearly 5,700 community banks across the United States are extremely grateful for Senate passage of the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief and Consumer Protection Act (S. 2155). Community bankers nationwide have long sought to strengthen and revitalize community lending and stem the tide of industry consolidation which threatens to permanently alter the American financial services landscape.

On behalf of all community banks, I sincerely thank Chairman Crapo and Senators Heitkamp, Donnelly, Tester, and Warner for their leadership in achieving consensus around a package of provisions to create tiered regulation while ensuring consumer protection and safety and soundness. This core, bipartisan group of Senators was instrumental in building a coalition of 67 Senators who supported S. 2155 through a series of floor votes and on final passage.

We sincerely thank all Senators listed below who stood up in support of this key vote for communities nationwide. They clearly understand the value of community banks to the communities in their state and to the American financial system. They withstood a campaign of misinformation targeted at distorting S. 2155 and earned the gratitude not only of community banks but of the thousands of communities that depend on them.

With this solid bipartisan vote from the Senate on S. 2155, we fully intend to see community bank regulatory relief through the House as soon as possible and to the President’s desk for signature. Undue delay will jeopardize the momentum created by Senate passage of S. 2155.

Thank you again for standing up for America’s community banks.

Sincerely,

/s/

Camden R. Fine
President & CEO
Senators who voted in favor of S. 2155:

Alexander (R-TN)  Barrasso (R-WY)  Bennet (D-CO)
Blunt (R-MO)  Boozman (R-AR)  Burr (R-NC)
Capito (R-WV)  Carper (D-Del)  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)
Hoeven (R-ND)  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)  Paul (R-KY)
Peters (D-MI)  Scott (R-SC)  Tillis (R-NC)
Portman (R-OH)  Shaheen (D-NH)  Toomey (R-PA)
Risch (R-ID)  Shelby (R-AL)  Warner (D-VA)
Roberts (R-KS)  Stabenow (D-MI)  Wicker (R-MS)
Rounds (R-SD)  Sullivan (R-AK)  Young (R-IN)
Rubio (R-FL)  Tester (D-MT)  
Sasse (R-NE)  Thune (R-SD)