

Congress of the United States  
Washington, DC 20515

March 17, 2020

Jovita Carranza  
Administrator  
U.S. Small Business Administration  
409 3rd St, SW  
Washington DC 20416

Dear Administrator Carranza,


We are writing in support of the Governor of Missouri's request for Small Business Administration (SBA) Disaster Assistance in response to the COVID-19.

Small businesses are the heart and soul in every community across Missouri and are the number one driver of new job creation in our nation. However, in the coming days and weeks, small businesses across our state will be struggling to keep their doors open as our nation responds to the ongoing threat of COVID-19.

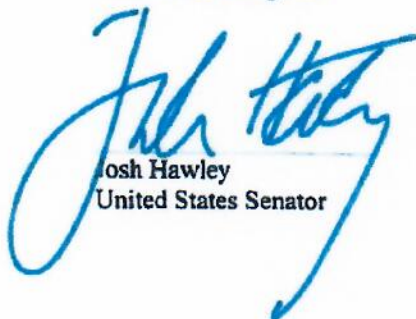
As you know, included in H.R. 6074, *the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations*, which was signed into law by President Trump on Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> was \$20 million in additional funding for administering disaster assistance loans for small businesses impacted by the virus. We request urgent approval for the state of Missouri's request to be eligible for these disaster relief loans.

We thank you for your timely consideration of this critical request.

Sincerely,


  
Blaine Luetkemeyer  
Member of Congress


  
Roy Blunt  
United States Senator

  
Josh Hawley  
United States Senator


  
Vicky Hartzler  
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