COVID-19 BUSINESS LIABILITY CALL TALKING POINTS

In your letter or phone call to your Congressional representatives, please explain to them why liability protections matter to you. Be sure to talk about the role your company or business plays in the state or district and try to relate the importance of liability protections for you and your work. Here are some sample talking points to get you started:

• Manufacturers and essential businesses have been on the front lines during the COVID-19 crisis, providing Americans with the products and services our country needs during a moment of distress.

• These manufacturers and essential industries have been operating under conditions of incredible uncertainty, with constantly shifting guidance coming from federal agencies, states and even cities and counties.

• They have done their best to meet the needs of our country while keeping employees safe, but unfortunately, these types of crisis situations and uncertainty give rise to the potential for lawsuits.

• As essential businesses struggle to get through these very difficult economic times, the possibility of unwarranted lawsuits poses a very serious threat to their ability to help move the country back to economic health and even to meet the needs of the country.

• Essential businesses, who are doing their best to do the right thing, deserve some protection from legal liability in the face of these unprecedented challenges.

• Manufacturers and essential businesses deserve targeted liability reforms that are limited to the current crisis. We should not seek to protect bad actors and are not asking for a complete shield from liability.