

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

November 5, 2025

The Honorable Donald J. Trump
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We are alarmed and deeply concerned by your announcement that you have instructed the Department of Defense to resume testing of nuclear weapons. The United States is a signatory to the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty and has not tested a nuclear weapon since 1992. While the treaty is not yet in effect, it fostered a new norm, and except for North Korea, no nation has conducted a nuclear test in the 21st Century. Resuming nuclear testing would be a reckless action that would open a Pandora's box that could lead to dire consequences.

America's interests are best served by refraining from nuclear testing. The United States has superior technical means to ensure the sustainment and reliability of our nuclear stockpile, and additional testing offers no benefit to our nation. But if the United States were to restart nuclear testing, other nations might follow suit, and their less-advanced nuclear programs would benefit from the experience of live tests. This could fuel a cycle of increased nuclear weapons development and proliferation that would undermine our mutually shared goal of promoting peace throughout the world.

We strongly encourage you instead to take actions to reduce nuclear threats and reestablish America's leadership in promoting nonproliferation. For example, you could call on the U.S. Senate to ratify the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, and you could work to convince other nations, especially China and North Korea, to join the treaty. If realized, these would be truly historic achievements that would be the most significant advances for nuclear threat reduction this century.

We appreciate your consideration of our views, and we stand ready to help with any effort to reduce the threat of nuclear war.

Sincerely,



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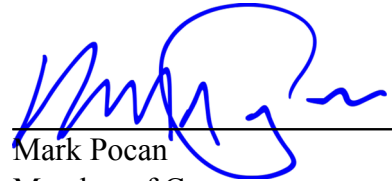
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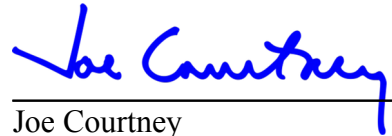
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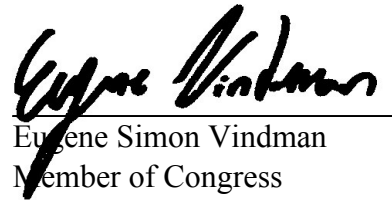
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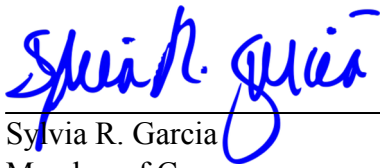
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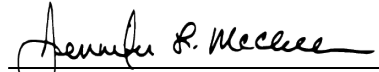
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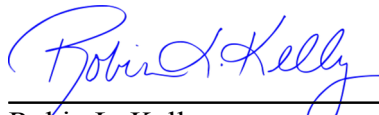
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