

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

December 3, 2014

The Honorable John Boehner  
Speaker of the House  
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The Honorable Kevin McCarthy  
Majority Leader  
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Speaker Boehner and Majority Leader McCarthy,

As we enter into the Lame Duck session of Congress, we believe it is imperative that any efforts to grant Trade Promotion Authority (TPA), or Fast Track, to President Obama are tabled until at least after the new Congress is sworn in.


The American people have spoken loud and clear: they want a new direction for our country. The habitual abuses of power by this President have eroded the faith of the American people, who no longer trust his judgment or leadership. This sentiment was reflected in the mid-term elections, when the President's agenda was soundly repudiated.

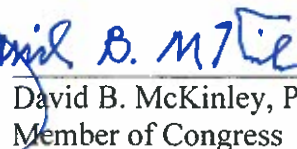
Because there aren't enough votes in the House to pass TPA as a stand-alone bill, we understand that there are discussions of including TPA in a larger legislative package – either Tax Extenders or a Continuing Resolution – to be considered during the Lame Duck session of Congress. We believe that this is a bad idea.

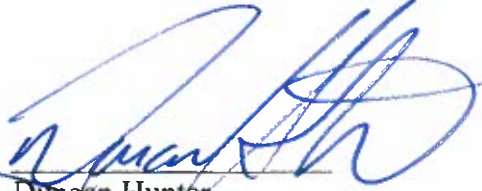
More than 60 Members of the House will not be returning for the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress. We do not believe it is right to pass legislation that grants significant additional power to the Administration with votes cast by elected officials who can no longer be held accountable by the electorate.

It is evident from the outcome of this month's elections that any efforts to grant TPA to the President during a Lame Duck session would be harmful to the trust that the American people just put in us at the ballot box. For that reason, we respectfully request that any consideration of Fast Track legislation be delayed until January when the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress is sworn in.

Sincerely,

  
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