March 17, 2020

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

Dear Administrator Carranza:

We write in support of Governor Sununu’s request for an emergency declaration by the Small Business Administration (SBA) to ensure that New Hampshire small businesses are eligible for the full suite of emergency resources available through the SBA, pursuant to the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act. Small businesses in New Hampshire are hurting due to the precipitous drop in demand as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak, and in the days and weeks to come will need significant help managing cash flow, payroll and other immediate business expenses.

We understand your staff both in Washington and around the country are working very hard to ensure small businesses have the assistance they need during this critical time. Please know that our offices stand ready to work with you and your team to support the vital mission of the SBA, including ensuring this declaration is processed as soon as possible. Please do not hesitate to be in touch if there is anything we can do.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Shaheen
United States Senator

Margaret Wood Hassan
United States Senator

Ann McLane Kuster
Member of Congress

Chris Pappas
Member of Congress