To our state delegation:

The *Chambers All In for Economic Recovery Coalition* introduces you to our spring 2022 platform. We call on our elected officials to give needed relief to the business community and prioritize economic and regulatory relief for business owners.

Illinois businesses of all sizes and industries are facing insurmountable challenges throughout the pandemic and most recent surge. They are faced with many questions and uncertainties about their futures. Full economic recovery will not be possible without the state's ongoing support for the business community.

The {{Chamber Name}} joins nearly 50 chambers from across the state as a part of the *Chambers All In for Economic Recovery Coalition*.

The Coalition has developed a platform designed to highlight critical provisions that would help spur economic recovery for the business community. While this is not an exhaustive list of what will help Illinois' businesses, these items, if enacted, can spur future economic benefits and position Illinois to be a leader in economic development.

We call on the Illinois legislature to:

* Utilize American Rescue Plan Act funding to help replenish the unemployment trust fund alleviate the impending financial drain from the state's businesses.
* Provide legal protections to employers who follow the CDC established safety guidelines from claims that COVID-19 was contracted at the place of business.
* Restructure the Minimum Wage Credit's gradual phase-out to allow small businesses to capture the original intent of the credit.
* Extend the EDGE credit sunset clause out for another ten years and utilize the tax credit as an incentive to attract new businesses to the state and allow for the growth and development of existing companies.

As your local chamber representing the businesses in your district, we welcome the opportunity to meet with you. We want to share the impact of the pandemic that our community's businesses have experienced. We know that the legislative process is underway, but we stress that the legislature must prioritize businesses' economic relief in this abbreviated session.

We will share more about the critical need to address these initiatives in the coming weeks.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out {{Contact Name}} at {{Contact Number/Email}}.

Sincerely,

{{Signature}}

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Aurora Regional Chamber of Commerce

Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce

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