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# URGENT! From the NMBEIC Leadership Team

#### **ACTION NEEDED TODAY!**

Support Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) and Minority Lending Institutions for the Payroll Protection Program (PPP)

Minority Business Owners,

Let's not get left behind again. Within the next couple of days, we are expecting the next round of funding from the CARES Act. The minority business community was tremendously under-represented in the previous round making our minority owned businesses extremely vulnerable to failure and closure. We cannot sit on the sidelines and watch this happen again. It's critical that you contact the SBA and urge them to make funding minority owned lending institutions and processing minority loan applications a priority.

Things will move very swiftly and we want to ensure that we have done everything possible to help minority owned businesses survive. We must be proactive. Thousands of minority owned companies were left out of the previous allocation, so let's not let it happen again. These funds will be exhausted in a matter of days, denying the minority community the support most desperately needed to get through this crisis.

### What should you do TODAY? (It will take less than 5 minutes)

#### Contact those below and inform them of your concerns.

- 1. Call or email the public official offices of the SBA, your Senators, your Representatives and inform them that you are a small minority-owned company located (insert your city) and that you urge them to:
- 2. <u>Make funding minority-owned business enterprises</u>, lending institutions, <u>and processing minority loan</u> applications <u>a priority</u>.

### **Small Business Administration**

- SBA Leadership and SBA Regional Offices click here
- SBA Office of Chief Human Capital Officer click here
  - Elian Hernandez (202)205.6780
- SBA Office of Advocacy <u>click here</u>
  - Major L. Clark III (202)205.6533
- SBA Office of Diversity, Inclusion & Civil Rights <u>click here</u>
  - o (202)205.6750

#### How to Contact Your Elected Officials - click here

- Senators List click here
- Representatives List click here
- Governors List click here
- State Legislators List click here

We encourage you to share this information with other minority business owners.

## **About the National Minority Business Enterprise Input Committee**

The National Minority Business Enterprise Input Committee (NMBEIC) is the voice of minority business and is a critical part of the leadership of the National Minority Supplier Development Council (NMSDC). It is made up of the Minority Business Enterprise Input Committee (MBEIC) chairs from each of the 23 affiliate regional councils from across the country, as well as a leadership committee consisting of a National MBEIC chair and officers.