

March 20, 2020

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
Speaker  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy  
Minority Leader  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Charles Schumer  
Minority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Speaker Pelosi, and Leaders McCarthy, McConnell and Schumer:

On behalf of the more than 400-member companies of the National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association (NSSGA), we commend you for the actions being taken in response to the unprecedented public health and economic impacts due to the spread of COVID-19. As you stem the immediate crisis and work to ensure the economic security of our Nation, we believe infrastructure investment is one of the ways to get us there.

NSSGA is the leading voice and advocate for the aggregates industry, with member companies representing more than 90 percent of the crushed stone and 70 percent of the sand and gravel consumed annually in the United States. Our members employ more than 100,000 hard-working men and women and are responsible for the essential raw materials found in every home, building, road, bridge and public works project.

In the short term, increased infrastructure investment will spur economic growth by creating tens of thousands of good paying jobs and provide new tax revenues to depleted government coffers. In the long-term, the capital assets constructed over time would enhance economic productivity for many decades to come by providing access to resources like jobs, services, materials and markets.

When the aggregates industry is doing well, the economy is doing well. We stand ready to do our part to get the U.S. economy moving again by producing aggregates that go into waterways, ports, airports, rail and transit networks and energy infrastructure. Thank you for your consideration, and I appreciate your leadership during these trying and uncertain times. Though COVID-19 has undoubtedly created interruptions in our daily lives, our industry stands ready to do our part.

Sincerely,



Michael W. Johnson  
President and CEO  
National Stone, Sand and Gravel Association