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The Honorable Roger F. Wicker
Chairman, Committee on Armed Services
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Jack Reed
Ranking Member, Committee on Armed Services
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Mike Rogers
Chairman, Committee on Armed Services
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Adam Smith
Ranking Member, Committee on Armed Services
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Wicker, Ranking Member Reed, Chairman Rogers and Ranking Member Smith:

We write to express our strong support for Section 1706 of H.R. 8800, which would reauthorize the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015 (CISA 2015) for an additional 10 years. As you work to reconcile the House and Senate versions of the Fiscal Year 2027 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), we urge you to retain this provision in the final conference agreement. In an era of increasingly sophisticated AI-enabled cyber threats, it is more important than ever for the private sector and the government to quickly and securely share information about cyber threats and defenses.

Over the past decade, CISA 2015 has become a foundational component of the nation's cybersecurity. The law enables the voluntary sharing of cyber threat indicators and defensive measures between private entities and with the federal government, while providing the liability protections and legal certainty needed to encourage such sharing. These authorities support the timely exchange of actionable threat intelligence and are central to the collective defense of public- and private-sector networks, particularly across critical infrastructure sectors.

The case for a long-term reauthorization has only grown more urgent. Recent incidents have demonstrated that advanced AI systems can identify and exploit software vulnerabilities at machine speed, collapsing the window between the discovery of a weakness and its use in an attack. AI tools are also making sophisticated cyber capabilities cheaper, faster and easier to use, allowing threats to spread and adapt in real time. In this environment, the speed and breadth with which defenders share information determines whether they keep pace with adversaries. That speed depends on the legal certainty CISA 2015 provides.

A long-term reauthorization of CISA 2015 is essential to our national security. We appreciate your leadership on this important issue and urge you to include these critical protections in the final conference agreement.

Sincerely,

Aerospace Industries Association
Airlines for America
Alliance for Automotive Innovation
Alliance for Critical Infrastructure
Alliance for Digital Innovation
American Bankers Association
American Chemistry Council
American Fintech Council
American Fuel and Petrochemical Manufacturers
American Hotel and Lodging Association
American Petroleum Institute
American Public Power Association (APPA)
Bank Policy Institute
Business Roundtable
Business Software Alliance
CTIA
Cybersecurity Coalition
Edison Electric Institute
Electronic Transactions Association
Equity Markets Association
Healthcare Leadership Council
Information Technology Industry Council
The Institute of International Bankers
Interstate Natural Gas Association of America
National Association of Manufacturers
National Retail Federation
National Rural Electric Cooperative Association
National Rural Water Association

National Technology Security Coalition (NTSC)
NCTA – The Internet & Television Association
Operational Technology Cybersecurity Coalition
Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association
TechNet
U.S. Chamber of Commerce
USTelecom – The Broadband Association

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