



Southwestern Pennsylvania Delegation

Dear Southwestern Pennsylvania Delegation:

On behalf of NAIOP Pittsburgh and the Building Owners & Managers Association of Pittsburgh (BOMA), we thank you all for your bipartisan leadership during this time of national crisis. Our members appreciate your work in helping to lead our Commonwealth through this difficult time. Together, we represent over 650 members of the commercial real estate and development industries. Today, we are writing to respectfully request your consideration of support for HB 2400. Our members are committed to safely operating projects utilizing strict, science-based, guidance to socially distance on active construction sites. Additionally, we are committed to helping the Wolf administration and our public health agencies in developing safe construction guidance that adheres to public health recommendations.

At a time when so much of our economy is in question, we believe it is essential to keep the real estate and construction industry working. Our associations are committed to doing everything we can to help you in your goals of stopping COVID-19's spread. But, as we have seen in many other states that have implemented shelter in place orders, construction can be done in a safe manner during this pandemic. There are also number of vitally important projects that cannot afford to be interrupted. These projects include transportation, housing and commercial construction at risk of nonviability with each passing week.

Again, we are committed to ensuring our members adhere to strict social distancing guidance in any restart to construction. Furthermore, we would be willing to work with our trade unions and the Wolf administration to help craft this guidance. We believe that every project our members are associated with going forward will take every precaution necessary to protect workers and adhere to the highest safety standards recommended by the CDC.

Both of our organizations remain committed to the health and safety of our members and all Pennsylvanians. We respectfully urge your consideration of support for HB 2400.

Thank you again for your service to our Commonwealth during this difficult time,

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