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An Open Letter from Business Associations and Organizations on Support for a Safe and Secure Election Process

We, the undersigned business associations and organizations, urge our fellow business leaders to join us in supporting free and fair elections and standing up against attempts to undermine democracy. Threats and other attempts to engage in political violence have no place in a thriving American democracy.

We know first-hand that a vibrant and stable economy relies on a strong democracy. We recognize the importance of protecting the fundamental tenets of our democratic system during the 2024 election.

This election cycle, we as business associations and organizations will work with our colleagues and public officials to:

- Support voter education and civic engagement
- Publicly support safe, secure and accurate elections
- Denounce threats of political violence, including against election administrators and workers
- Ask all political leaders to agree to nonpartisan principles of fair elections, by complying with federal and state election laws and acknowledging the legitimacy of the outcomes after the results have been certified and courts have made final rulings

Signed,

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American Sustainable Business Council
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Black Economic Alliance
Business for America
Business Forward

Leadership Now Project
Main Street Alliance
National Asian/Pacific Islander American Chamber of Commerce & Entrepreneurship
(National ACE)
National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO)
National Bankers Association
National LGBT Chamber of Commerce
National Veteran Business Development Council
Public Affairs Council
Public Private Strategies
State Business Executives
Small Business for America's Future
The B Team
The Global Black Economic Forum
U.S. Black Chambers, Inc.
U.S. Impact Investing Alliance
United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
Women Impacting Public Policy