

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

March 18, 2020

Jovita Carranza
Administrator
U.S. Small Business Administration
409 3rd St, SW
Washington DC 20416

Dear Administrator Carranza:

It is our understanding that New Jersey has submitted its full application to the U.S. Small Business Administration to request an Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) declaration. We are writing today to ask that you swiftly review the New Jersey EIDL application, so that we can provide our small businesses with access to get urgently needed capital.

As a result of COVID-19, our small business community in New Jersey is facing imminent and potentially devastating cash flow issues. We have heard from a wide variety of small businesses in our districts including manufacturers, restaurants, warehouse suppliers, event planners, travel agencies, construction contractors, and more who are being adversely affected. The Economic Injury Disaster Loan program is a vital piece of any plan to provide small businesses in our communities the financial relief they need.

We respectfully request that the U.S. SBA expedite their review of New Jersey's request in an effort to make these crucial loans available as soon as possible as our small businesses grapple with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sincerely,

Mikie Sherrill
Member of Congress

Cory Booker
United States Senator

Frank Pallone, Jr.
Member of Congress

Tom Malinowski
Member of Congress

Bill Pascrell, Jr.
Member of Congress

Christopher H. Smith
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Bonnie Watson Coleman
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