

The Honorable Mitch McConnell Minority Leader United States Senate Room S-230, The Capitol Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Kevin McCarthy Minority Leader United States House of Representatives Room H-204, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Leader McConnell and Leader McCarthy:

We think Republican Senators are doing the right thing by opposing cloture on the motion to proceed to the legislative vehicle that is expected to carry the Bipartisan Infrastructure bill. However, even if the bill was drafted and ready for consideration, we do not believe it is worthy of support.

Republican Senators' support for the Bipartisan Infrastructure Framework would be an explicit accommodation of \$4.7 trillion in total spending and expedited passage of the radical, socialist, and partisan reconciliation bill. The so-called bipartisan infrastructure bill is like a gateway drug that would lead to passage of the \$3.5 trillion tax and spend bill. Additionally, this outrageous level of spending could accommodate a partisan increase in the debt limit on a reconciliation bill, as Democrats refuse to work with Republicans to tackle our long-term debt and deficit problems.

Club for Growth calls on the House and Senate to end discussions for massive increases in federal spending and for Senate Republicans to walk away from the negotiating table on their \$1.2 trillion infrastructure spending plan.

Instead, Congress should refocus legislative efforts toward a positive economic growth agenda that unleashes economic opportunity through decreasing anti-competitiveness through excessive regulation, reduces the over-taxation of individuals and businesses, and promotes free markets through trade. Congress should pass a Balanced Budget Amendment that ensures this debt limit increase is the last debt limit increase. Finally, end expanded federal unemployment benefits that discourage a return to work and allow for the full re-opening of the U.S. economy.

For Freedom,

David M. McIntosh President, Club for Growth

Cc: Republican Senators

Republican Representatives