

## Statements of Support

### **Newt Gingrich, Former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives:**

“The Job Creators Network has put together a unified plan to help small business, fix the economy, and provide opportunity for all Americans. The current state of the economy is hurting hard-working Americans who depend on the economic engine that the small business community provides. Clear steps to correct the economy have been laid out by The American Small Business Prosperity Plan. The Job Creators Network has given the new Congress the ability to get a running start, addressing the most important issues for small businesses and Americans.”

### **Kevin McCarthy (R-CA), Speaker of the House:**

“House Republicans are eager to work with Job Creators Network and the small business community on the American Small Business Prosperity Plan to reignite the American economy and American Dream. Small businesses were decimated by the Covid-19 pandemic and onerous government restrictions on business activity. The commonsense provisions in the Prosperity Plan can help bring small businesses back.”

### **Rep. Kevin Brady (R-TX), Ranking Member of the House Ways and Means Committee:**

“Small businesses shouldn’t have to worry about paying higher tax bills to Washington while struggling under President Biden’s worker shortage and supply chain crisis. Consistent with the House Republican Commitment to America, the American Small Business Prosperity Plan calls for permanent tax relief for job creators. We must turn the page on Democrats’ failed economic agenda and rebuild Main Street America.”

**Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer (R-MO), Ranking Member of the House Small Business Committee:**

“Job Creators Network gives a voice to the small businesses across the country who are paying the price for the disastrous policies coming out of Washington. Like Republicans’ Commitment to America the Small Business Prosperity Plan is a roadmap to economic success by getting government out of the way and allowing our small businesses to create jobs and invigorate our economy. I am grateful for the Job Creators Network’s advocacy and look forward to working together on behalf of America’s small businesses.”

**Rep. Kevin Hern (R-OK), co-chair of the House Small Business Caucus:**

“The Job Creators Network small business prosperity 8-point plan is a pro-growth agenda that will benefit not only small businesses but also the American worker. Close to half of the United States economy is small business. Small businesses should be a priority for any economic agenda. I look forward to working with the job creators’ network to make this agenda a reality.”

**Rep. Bryan Steil (R-WI), Ranking Member on the House on the Select Committee on Economic Disparity and Fairness in Growth:**

“American small businesses and their workers are struggling under one party rule in Washington. In the last two years, misguided policies have kept workers on the sidelines. Now, rising costs and low labor force participation are forcing too many businesses to close. The Job Creator Network’s American Small Business Prosperity Plan lays out a blueprint for getting our economy back on track. I am proud to support it.”

**Rep. Adrian Smith (R-NE), Ranking Member on the Trade Subcommittee:**

“American families and small businesses are struggling under the weight of inflation, supply chain issues, and Washington regulations run amok. The ‘American Small Business Prosperity Plan’ from Job Creators Network recognizes the need for policies to get Americans off the sidelines, reward small businesses for investing in themselves and their employees, and allow hardworking families to keep more of what they earn. We desperately need policies like this to rebuild our economy in the wake of COVID-19 lockdowns and the Biden administration’s economic failures.”

**Arizona Governor Doug Ducey (R):**

“Small business Americans work hard, innovate, and dream big. They deserve a voice that works for them. The Job Creators Network (JCN) has consistently advocated for our hard-working small businesses. The American Small Business Prosperity Plan will continue that important work.”

**Alex Acosta, Former U.S. Secretary of Labor:**

“Small business owners are the second most trusted institution in America, according to a recent Job Creators Network Foundation poll – just one point behind military personnel. However, small business owners are struggling more than ever and the government needs to be their ally. The Job Creators Network’s ‘American Small Business Prosperity Plan’ is a smart, achievable plan to revitalize our small business sector.”

**Dr. Tom Price, Former Secretary of Health and Human Services:**

“To aid our small business community, healthcare reform needs to be a top priority. The Job Creators Network’s ‘American Small Business Prosperity Plan’ prioritizes patient-centered, personalized healthcare reform for the next Congress. JCN’s ‘Healthcare for You’ plan is the right approach and should be the framework for that reform process. Every congressional candidate who signs the pledge is showing their commitment to healthcare reform and that is exactly what we need.”

**Grover Norquist, President Americans for Tax Reform:**

“There’s never a good time for tax increases, and there couldn’t be a worse time than when our economy is in a recession. The American Small Business Prosperity Plan understands this and prioritizes tax cuts as it should. Our economy is still in decline, and the next Congress needs to address it head on. The Job Creators Network’s plan can make that happen.”

**Adam Brandon, President of FreedomWorks:**

“The challenges facing small businesses today are immense and they need to be addressed. FreedomWorks is proud to endorse the ‘American Small Business Prosperity Plan’ and we encourage every congressional candidate to support it. Democrats and Republicans should be on board with this.”

**Matt Bevin, former Governor of Kentucky and small business owner:**

“I know from my experience as a state executive how the pro-growth provisions in the American Small Business Prosperity Plan will help bring the economy back to its pre-pandemic peak. Even more importantly, I know as a small business owner how the plan will allow entrepreneurs like me to overcome the historic challenges we have faced over the last two and a half years. America’s small businesses are struggling. Many have been crushed and others are faltering. Immediate action is needed! Tax certainty, regulatory certainty, an end to wasteful inflationary spending, and unleashing domestic drilling to lower energy prices are just a few key aspects of the plan that will especially help small businesses that are the economic backbone of our great nation. Every American should encourage and support the dignity and pride that comes from working. The health of our economy is not a partisan issue. Every member of Congress should strongly support this Prosperity Plan. America’s employers need bold, bi-partisan leadership. Now is the time for action!”

**Ken Blackwell, Former Ohio Treasurer of State:**

“Pro-small business policies can overcome the stagflation we’re experiencing today. Empowering the small business community will bring down prices, accelerate growth, and raise real wages. The ‘American Small Business Prosperity’ Plan contains the common-sense solutions that are critical to addressing the severe economic problems facing our country, with small businesses leading the way.”

**Charlie Kirk, Founder and President of Turning Point USA:**

“The ‘American Small Business Prosperity Plan’ advocates for eight specific policies, including making the 2017 tax law permanent, exempting small businesses from new regulations, expanding capital access for small businesses, and healthcare reform. Congress can and should consider all eight points if they’re serious about bringing small businesses back and turning our economy around.”



**Brad Anderson, former CEO and Vice Chairman of Best Buy Company and Executive Board Chair, Job Creators Network:**

“The past two and half years have been hard for all Americans, but small businesses have been hit the hardest because of the pandemic, lockdowns, inflation, supply chain challenges, and labor shortages. They need help. The American Small Business Prosperity Plan will help all small business owners regardless of their party.”

**Paul S. Teller, Executive Director, Advancing American Freedom:**

“The American Small Business Prosperity Plan is a welcome breath of fresh air for America’s small businesses, who sadly continue to suffer under the weight of the Biden-Harris-Schumer-Pelosi regulations, taxes, spending, and disparagement. We at Advancing American Freedom commend the Job Creators Network for assembling and promoting a suite of positive policy solutions for America’s economic engine and look forward to ongoing collaboration to help enact them.”

**Ed Rensi, retired president and CEO of McDonald’s USA and Executive Chairman of The Boardroom Initiative:**

“Job Creators Network and Newt Gingrich deserve tremendous credit for putting together this eight-point plan that will bring small businesses back. Congress should get behind it. We need an ‘all of government’ approach to getting our economy back on track, and the ‘American Small Business Prosperity Plan’ does that.”

**Dave Brat, former U.S. Representative and Dean of the School of Business at Liberty University:**

“Small business owners are the heroes of the American Dream and they are the heartbeat of so many communities all across our country. The ‘American Small Business Prosperity Plan’ recognizes that a stronger economic recovery requires our small businesses be treated as first in class not as second class citizens. For the first time in modern history everyone is now watching, so instead of bailing out elites let’s give our small business heroes what they deserve.”

**William “Chip” Rogers, President and CEO of the American Hotel & Lodging Association and Former Member of the Georgia State Senate:**

“The pandemic took a major toll on the hospitality industry, in part, due to the rapid increase in government regulations. Businesses can’t thrive when they’re struggling for their footing, only to have it pulled out from under them as soon as they find it. The Job Creators Network knows this and makes it a key point in their American Small Business Prosperity Plan, among many other important issues. They have our support.”

**Lisa B. Nelson, CEO of the American Legislative Exchange Council:**

“The Job Creators Network has put together a plan that champions free market values and would give small businesses the freedom to grow and expand. No one knows the needs of small businesses better than they do themselves. The best thing the government can do is give them the tools they need and get out of the way. The American Small Business Prosperity Plan does that.”

**Stephen Moore, economist and co-founder Committee to Unleash Prosperity:**

“The US economy is teetering on the verge of a deep recession because of Biden’s tax and spend and borrow and regulate economy. Small businesses are the victims. The American Small Business Prosperity Plan by the Job Creators Network tackles these major economic failings and would expand opportunities for small biz growth and expansion. The next Congress must adopt this agenda in January if we are to save our economy and the small businesses that are the fuel of our economic engine.”

**Andy Puzder, Former CEO of CKE Restaurants, Chairman of 2ndVote Value Investments, Inc. and JCN Board Member:**

“Whether the issue is growth killing taxes, over-regulation, competing with China, or the Biden administration’s manufactured energy crisis; The American Small Business Prosperity Plan covers it all. The Job Creators Network’s Plan addresses the multitude of problems facing small businesses in the Biden era, giving the incoming Congress a set of defined problems to tackle and the solutions needed to steer America back in the right direction. This the right plan at the right time.”

**David McIntosh, President of Club for Growth:**

“In order to get our economy back on track, policymakers must re-focus on America's job creators, entrepreneurs, and small businesses. Club for Growth and the Job Creators Network (JCN) understand what needs to be done in order to bring small businesses back. Congress can start by making the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act permanent and exempting small businesses from new regulations, two widely beneficial steps to promoting our economic rebound. Federal regulatory agencies enforce a hidden tax on small businesses, which comes in the form of compliance paperwork and labor. Undue regulations are not only a hinderance to economic growth, but an additional cost that businesses shouldn't need to deal with. It's past time to unleash the economic potential of small businesses and our country by implementing the American Small Business Prosperity Plan proposed by JCN, which Club for Growth supports.”



**John Motta, Chairman of the Coalition of Franchisee Associations and small business owner:**

“Small businesses are the drivers of the economy, creating two out of every three new jobs. There is no one better to get us out of this recession than them, and no one who understands them like the Job Creators Network. Their American Small Business Prosperity Plan puts small businesses at the forefront and gives Congress an outline to ensure their success will put our economy back where it belongs.”