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Susan Wiles Chief of Staff The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500

RE: Federal Worker Return-to-Office Initiative

Dear Mrs. Wiles,

On behalf of the Cleaning Coalition of America ("CCA"), I am writing to express strong support for the Trump-Vance Administration's action on day one to bring federal workers back into the office five days a week.

The CCA represents the nation's largest commercial cleaning companies, employing more than one million people across all fifty states. In addition to providing jobs, member companies serve an essential role in promoting health and safety in communities nationwide, ensuring businesses, schools, places of worship, public buildings and other organizations remain operational.

We have seen the economic damage caused when governments and other organizations rely on a full-time remote workforce. We believe return-to-office policies benefit taxpayers and businesses. A few of the benefits are as follows.

## **Efficient Use of Taxpayer Funds**

Taxpayers deserve a labor force they can trust to perform their jobs efficiently and effectively. The first step to achieve this goal is to have employees in the office, ensuring they respond most effectively to taxpayers needs. Additionally, when employees are in the office, they are more conscientious on the tasks and requirements of their positions.

## **Return-to-Office Initiatives Benefit Local Economies**

A return-to-office policy for federal workers will improve local economies and save the taxpayers money. Additionally, the federal government's policy will push private industry to quickly come back into the office. Municipalities' budgets are tied to sales taxes and other related revenue streams. Reduction of these funds has directly and negatively impacted the recovery and health of our cities and towns. The loss of spending on meals, shopping, and entertainment has forced countless local businesses to close and mayors and other local elected officials across the country now face budget shortfalls because of decreased spending by office employees.



## **Commercially Cleaned Offices Promote a Safe and Healthy Workforce**

Despite the best of intentions, remote employees who work from public spaces - or even their own residence - often do not have access to the skills and resources of a professionally trained commercial cleaning service. CCA member companies and their employees provide best-in-class cleaning services, keeping employees safe and productive.

The CCA is committed to partnering with the Trump-Vance Administration to move the returnto-office policy forward.

Sincerely,

Patrick Dunnigan Executive Director & Interim President, The Cleaning Coalition of America