

American Entrepreneurs and Small Business Owners Support the Immediate Expensing of R&D Investment

June 13, 2025

The Honorable Mike Johnson The Honorable John Thune Speaker of the House Majority Senate Leader

Washington, District of Columbia 20510 Washington, District of Columbia 20510

The Honorable Hakeem Jeffries The Honorable Chuck Schumer

House Minority Leader Senate Minority Leader

Washington, District of Columbia 20510 Washington, District of Columbia 20510

RE: American Entrepreneurs and Small Business Owners Support the Immediate Expensing of R&D Investment

Dear Speaker Johnson, Majority Leader Thune, Minority Leader Jefferies, and Minority Leader Schumer,

As small business owners and entrepreneurs fueling America's innovation economy, we—the undersigned companies—write to urge the immediate passage of the American Innovation and R&D Competitiveness Act of 2025 (H.R. 1990) and the American Innovation and Jobs Act (S.1639). Restoring immediate full expensing of research and development (R&D) investments is critical to our ability to grow, innovate, and create jobs here in the United States.

Since 1954, U.S. businesses have relied on the immediate deductibility of R&D expenses under Section 174 of the Internal Revenue Code. However, beginning in 2022, the budgetary changes introduced by the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) require businesses to amortize these expenses over five years. The shift has done short-term damage by significantly reducing cash flow at a time when access to capital is already limited and forcing many small business owners to seek loans to cover their increased tax bills to try and keep their businesses afloat. The long-term effects have also been profound, forcing many of us to make difficult decisions, delaying innovation, limiting hiring, and threatening our competitiveness in the global market. Many newer, smaller

companies simply lack the cash flow to amortize hundreds of thousands of dollars in R&D expenses over five years. Early-stage, high-growth software firms—often not yet profitable—are hit the hardest. The shift to five-year amortization deepens near-term losses, making attracting investors and securing financing even harder.

Small businesses are the backbone of U.S. tech innovation, and pro-business tax policies like tax deductions are critical to helping us stay competitive and adaptable in an ever-changing ecosystem. Meanwhile, international competitors—particularly China—are expanding R&D tax incentives.

If Congress does not act swiftly, the United States risks falling further behind. Restoring full expensing for R&D would allow small businesses like ours to reinvest in new products, expand operations, and drive economic growth and job creation.

This isn't just about tax policy—it's an innovation crisis. Small businesses are at a critical crossroads: risk falling behind or seize the opportunity to grow and lead. We applaud the bipartisan leadership in both the Senate and House for introducing the American Innovation and R&D Competitiveness Act of 2025 and the American Innovation and Jobs Act. As the Senate prepares to advance the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (H.R. 1), we urge lawmakers to ensure these provisions are included within the larger tax package. We also encourage leadership to provide retroactive relief for the tax years 2022-2024 and to restore permanent full expensing of R&D costs. These are critical provisions that empower small businesses to invest, innovate, and lead in a globally competitive economy. Thank you for your leadership.

Signed,

| Small Software Business Alliance | DC |
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| 32 Biosciences | IL |
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| 365.Training | CO |
| 3D Molecular Designs, LLC | WI |
| 3Fates-Xray, Inc. | CA |
| 4E Therapeutics | TX |
| 5or7 Software, LLC | NH |
| Abington Speech Pathology Services | PA |
| AccuNovo Biotechnologies, Inc. | NC |
| Activate | TX |
| ADSAT Therapeutics | FL |
| Agilevent Corporation | NJ |
| Akku Energy Devices LLC | CO |
| AlphaThera, Inc. | PA |
| Amphix Bio | IL |

| Ananya Health | CA |
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| Anuma Aerospace Corporation | NC |
| Applied Research Team Inc | CO |
| ARIA | VA |
| Assess and Progress, Inc. | CA |
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| Astero Technologies LLC Atom Bioworks Inc | NC |
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| AttractWell Studios LLC | ND |
| Audiohook Corporation | UT |
| Avid Solutions Intl | GA |
| Avoneaux Medical Institute | MD |
| AZIMUTH Design | MN |
| BACtrack | CA |
| BadVR, Inc. | CA |
| Barron Associates, Inc. | VA |
| BBC Entrepreneurial Training & Consulting | MI |
| BeamReaders Inc | WA |
| Bioptics Technology LLC | KY |
| Biotex, Inc. | TX |
| Blotout, Inc | Ca |
| BlueRISC Inc | MA |
| Bobcat of Gwinner | ND |
| BoldVoice | NY |
| Breiter Planet | MA |
| Cadet Affect | CO |
| Caliola Engineering | CO |
| Cardiost, Inc. | TX |
| Celdara Medical | NH |
| CHADIS, Inc. | MD |
| Citizens Bank | NY |
| Cleantech Industry Resources | VA |
| Clear Blue Design | LA |
| Co-Founder & CEO - Transmural Systems Companies | MA |
| CodeHS | IL |
| CoinTracker | CA |
| Colorado Technology Consultants | CO |
| Common Ground Electronics | CA |
| completionAl | MA |
| Compound Eye | CA |
| Concrete, LLC | WA |

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| Convergent Science, Inc. | WI |
| Convergent Science, Inc. Copeland Engineering, LLC | TX |
| Copenhill | GA |
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| Coremax consulting | |
| Cosmusic LLC | MD |
| Counterpoint Consulting, Inc. | VA |
| CPA Connect, Inc | IL |
| Creative PMO | MD |
| Creator Works | CO |
| CU Aerospace, LLC | IL |
| CuBit Creative LLC | KS |
| Cumulus.care | VT |
| CytexOrtho | NC |
| Day care | NY |
| Decis Intelligence | DC |
| Defined Bioscience Inc | CA |
| Delta Media Group | OH, FL, GA, SC, |
| DeltaMath Solutions Inc | TX |
| Demergent Labs LLC | NY |
| DES Architects+Engineers | UT |
| DigiSavvy, Inc. | CA |
| Digital Space Studio, Inc. | CA |
| Dignify Therapeutics | GA |
| Discovery Machine | NC, PA, NC |
| DMSi Software | PA |
| Docsum | NE |
| Dogtown Media | NY |
| Draft Design Inc | CA |
| Draftsman Incorporated | IL |
| DrivenData, Inc | KY |
| ECR Software Corporation | CO |
| Edison Max | NC |
| Ember Technologies, LLC | NC |
| Emetric LLC | VA |
| Endeavor | TX |
| Epigen Biosciences | AL |
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| Expo (650 Industries, Inc.) | CA |
| Extend Biosciences | CA |
| F Square Medical LLC | MA |
| FaceView Mask LLC | FL |
| Fermi Energy, Inc | OR |
| Field propulsion Technologies | VA |
| Filljoy, Inc. | CO |
| Fintellect Inc. | CA |
| First Flight Venture Center, Inc. | WA |
| Flightware, Inc. | NC |
| FloraPulse | CT |
| Fool Me Oncle, LLC | CA |
| Fortified | NJ |
| FreeHumans, LLC | NC |
| FrostDefense Envirotech Inc. | WA |
| FTL Labs Corporation | IL |
| Function Therapeutics | MA |
| Gamma Force | WI |
| Gateway Biotechnology Inc | OH |
| GFF Design | NC |
| GLOBAL GREEN INITIATIVE | TX |
| GlobalForce Tech Consulting, LLC | MI |
| Glyphic Software, Inc. | MD |
| Greenlifetech Corp | VA |
| GROW Biomedicine LLC | NC |
| Gruntwork | CA |
| Gruthan Bioscience | CA |
| Harbor Technology Group | SC |
| Hawaii Fish Commpany Inc. | NJ |
| healthpass1 | HI |
| HighMatch | NY |
| Homnick Systems Inc | GA |
| Honeybadger Industries LLC | FL |
| Hydro | WA |
| Hydro Service & Supplies, Inc | WA |
| Ideal Medical Technologies | NC |
| Ideanest LLC | NC |
| IN Space, LLC | CA |
| In Time Tec, LLC | IN |
| Industrial Microbes | ID |
| Infyrno LLC | CA |
| inLUCEO Biosciences, Inc. | UT |

| Insight Guide | MD |
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| IntervalZero, Inc. | MD |
| iScreen 2 Prevent LLC | MA |
| jkrenewables | FL |
| JMad Creations, LLC. | PA |
| Julien Unger & Associates PLLC | PA |
| Justice Works, LLC | WA |
| K9 Security Inc. | UT |
| Karamedica, Inc. | AZ |
| Kathera Bioscience Inc | NY |
| KioskBuddy | NJ |
| Kitestring Technical Services | CA |
| Landscan, LLC | AR |
| Lanesborough LLC | CA |
| Large Scale Fab, Inc. | AZ |
| Lectenz Bio, Inc. | CA |
| LED Radiofluidics Corp | GA |
| Lemmtec | NC |
| Lena Biosciences, Inc. | TN |
| Lenzner Research LLC | GA |
| LighTopTech Corp. | AZ |
| Linarc | NY |
| Ludlum Measurements, Inc. | CA |
| LumenAstra, Inc. | TX |
| Luna Labs USA | CO |
| LunarLab | VA |
| Mabswitch Inc | AL |
| MacrosFirst, Inc. | CA |
| MALCOVA Inc | CA |
| MapHabit, Inc. | CA |
| MATSYS, Inc. | GA |
| MemberSpace | VA |
| Menopausey | PA |
| Merchbro | CO |
| MONSTR Sense Technologies, LLC | СТ |
| MoonClerk LLC | MI |
| MyCreativeShop | SC |
| Nalpeiron Inc | ND |
| NanoDiagnostic Technology LLC | CO |
| NC SBTDC | NC |
| Neurobehavioral Systems | NC |
| NeuroFieldz Inc | NH, CA |

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| Neurosetta LLC | MA |
| Newance | WI |
| Nuthatch Robotics, Inc. | WI |
| Nysus Solutions | MA |
| OceanSpace LLC | OH |
| Opus KSD, Inc | FL |
| ORB Technologies LLC | MA |
| Orion Labs LLC | KY |
| OTS R&D, Inc. | CO |
| OxiWear | MD |
| Pangea Chat LLC | VA |
| PediaMetrix Inc | VA |
| Perfect Energy, Inc | MD |
| Pharos Enterprise Intelligence | CO |
| Phase2 Technology | OR |
| Phaxtec, Inc. | VA |
| Phyta Biotech Consulting | NC |
| Pills2Me Inc. | NC |
| Pitch Media Group, Inc. | NV, GA |
| Pivot Payables, Inc. | MA |
| PMG Learning, LLC | WA |
| Projection Genie Inc. | MA |
| Proteovista LLC | CA |
| PSG | WI |
| PSYONIC | TX |
| QATCH Technologies | CA |
| QBench | NC |
| Quadridox, Inc. | FL |
| Qualtech Systems, Inc. | NC |
| Quanthym | CT |
| Quantilus Innovation Inc. | MI |
| Quub, Inc. | NY |
| Reaktiv Studios, Inc. | PA |
| Real-Time Innovations, Inc | CA |
| Reboot Motion | CA |
| RemoteSpeech LLC | AZ |
| Resilio Therapeutics LLC | PA |
| Resonant Cavity LLC | NC |
| Rhythmic Al Inc. | MN |
| Ridgeline Therapeutics | MD |
| Rimidi | TX |
| Ripple Technology, LLC | GA |

| Rock Immune, Inc. | GA |
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| Rocket Whale Products LLC | CO |
| Rogers Consulting | GA |
| Rotational Labs | MA |
| RxPlace | MN, VA |
| S Research Partners LLC | CA |
| SavvyCal, Inc. | NC |
| self | MN |
| Sequent Logic, LLC | CA |
| Sharp Sight Al | UT |
| SigParser | TX |
| Smart Locker USA | CA |
| Smart Material Solutions | WA |
| Smiley Technologies, Inc. | NC |
| Smobi | AK |
| Sonultra Corporation | NY |
| Soulshine Consulting | CA |
| Southern DNA | AL |
| Special Power Sources | GA |
| Spheric Bio | ОН |
| Sporian Microsystems, Inc. | MA |
| Steadfast Innovation, LLC | CO |
| Stone Aerospace, Inc. | CA |
| Stress Therapeutics, Inc. | TX |
| Strike Advisory | CA |
| SunThru | ID |
| SunThru LLC | NY |
| Superset | CA, NY |
| Susteon Inc. | NY |
| Suture Health, Inc | NC |
| Swanlogic LLC | LA, AL |
| SygnaMap | NJ |
| Symmetric Health Solutions | TX |
| Takachar | PA |
| Tapp Networks LLC | TX |
| TaskOS, Inc. | DE |
| Taxster | WI |
| TechNeed, LLC | FL |
| Tensense | NJ |
| Texas Research Institute Austin, Inc. (TRI Austin) | WI |
| The Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors National | TX |
| Association (SMACNA) | DC |

| The Stella Group, Ltd. | VA |
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| Theia Imaging LLC | NC |
| Theranano LLC | MA |
| Think2Build LLC | CA |
| TPL LLC | MI |
| Traceless | NY |
| Trail of Bits | NY |
| Transcend Engineering | VT |
| Trees ROI LLC | VT |
| Trillo, Inc | VT |
| Trio Labs | NC |
| Tripill Biotechnology, Corp. | NC |
| Trust Swiftly | FL |
| Tudi Mechanical | PA |
| Two Orioles LLC | NY |
| Tyber Medical LLC | PA |
| Undisclosed | CA |
| Unit Co | MD |
| University of Louisville | KY |
| UserScape | NY |
| Valize, LLC | NJ |
| Vemos, Inc. | MN |
| Venova Technologies | MA |
| Ventive, LLC | ID |
| VeraChem LLC | MD |
| Verpond, Inc. | CA |
| Vipe Inc | CA |
| Voximetry Incorporated | WI |
| Wayfarer Aircraft Research and Development | CA |
| Weinberg Medical Physics | MD |
| Wholecell.io | CO |
| Yanhai Power Technology, LLC | ОН |
| Yemi Onakunle | CA |
| YNAB | UT |