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The Honorable Kevin McCarthy Speaker of the House H-232, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Speaker McCarthy:

The federal government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic fundamentally failed the American people. Acknowledgment of this reality should form the foundation for any reauthorization of the agencies and programs even tangentially responsible for coordinating the failed response.

While we appreciate the work of the House Energy and Commerce Committee with respect to potential re-authorization of the Pandemic and All Hazards Preparedness Act (PAHPA), House Republicans should not bring such legislation to the floor for consideration either at all, or without desperately needed reforms to protect the American people from tyrannical, incompetent, and largely unchecked public health bureaucrats.

These reforms include but are not limited to:

- Returning PAHPA-related funding to pre-COVID levels to stop public health bureaucrats from undermining liberty for Americans and to curtail corporate cronyism;
- Reforming vaccine liability to secure proper compensation for those injured by vaccines to ensure healthcare corporations are not given a free pass for any harms they may cause;
- Establishing a commission to review vaccine liability and efficacy;
- Auditing and making public information about "Operation Warp Speed," including the role of the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA);
- Asserting American sovereignty over the World Health Organization and other international treaties and bodies;
- Imposing total data transparency on Health and Human Services, notably related to the Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response's (ASPR) COVID-19 response;
- Auditing PAHPA-related procurement authority as it relates to COVID-19 to determine to what extent corporations exploited COVID-19 to make profits;
- Limiting or banning Chinese-manufactured goods from the Strategic National Stockpile;
- Ending COVID-19 vaccine mandates and restricting federal powers to demand compulsory vaccination;

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- Creating an independent Office of Inspector General for the National Institute of Health, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, and Food and Drug Administration;
- Immediately requiring Senate confirmation of the CDC Director, including Dr. Mandy Cohen:
- Reforming congressional authority over public health emergency powers;
- Banning taxpayer dollars from funding gain-of-function research;

Failure to include these reforms risks not just the reauthorization of PAHPA altogether, but the support of our constituents who demand accountability. We encourage House Republicans to come together to make further reforms to advance only a legislative package that protects the rights of all Americans, strengthens congressional oversight of the public health system, and ensures accountability for the failed COVID-19 response.

These commonsense measures will ensure an effective and constitutional response to the next pandemic and a package all Republicans can support. We look forward to working with you on a PAHPA reauthorization that honors the American people and that the entire Republican conference can rally behind.

Sincerely,

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