



TO: The Honorable Members of the Pennsylvania Congressional Delegation

FROM: Alex Halper, Vice President, Government Affairs

DATE: November 30, 2022

RE: Prevent a National Rail Strike

I write on behalf of the PA Chamber of Business and Industry to urge your support for Congressional action to help avert a national rail strike.

The PA Chamber was among the hundreds of organizations representing employers and a broad range of economic sectors who sent [THIS LETTER](#) to Congress on Nov. 28 urging action.

We do not approach this appeal lightly: Congress or any government should tread carefully when considering intervening in contract disputes involving private parties. In this case, however, intervention is critically important to prevent an economic, public safety, and national security crisis. The Railway Labor Act of 1926 authorizes Congress to prevent strikes and this authority has been exercised 18 times to protect the country and help facilitate a resolution to labor negotiations.

While we continue to encourage stakeholders to reach an accord, we also urge you, as our representatives in Congress, to support intervention if necessary.

Thank you for considering our views on this important matter.