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Dear Ms. Murphey,

As the owner of my own business, Parts and Equipment Supply Co, for the past fifteen years, I am very concerned about the state of our economy. Since I am close to retirement age, I hope to one day pass my company on to my family. Unfortunately, with one more hiccup by the federal government, my business will be gone. This new proposal to change the shareholder proxy access rule may be the final straw.

My business is small, and right now, I am satisfied with my corporate suppliers and the prices I pay for goods. However, if the government has their way, that could all change. This year, I am doing twenty-five percent of the business I did last year, which is a huge drop. Clearly, I am very worried. I admit that I do not know what the solution is, but I am certain that increased government involvement in business is not the answer, and it will only devastate this country even further. As a veteran, it infuriates me that slowly but surely we are losing the very freedoms I fought so hard for.

This economic situation is frightening for both business owners and average citizens. My son and daughter are both unemployed. There is no good reason for this, other than this economic mess we are in. I have never been involved in politics, but I am writing this because I fear for the future of my fifteen grandchildren. The way things are going, I do not know how they will ever make it. We desperately need to start moving this country back in the right direction. An important step towards improving this economic crisis would be to keep the government out of business dealings, and not let this shareholder proxy access rule change take place.

Regards,



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