



September 18, 2023

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Washington, DC 20515

Dear [REDACTED]

On behalf of Virginia's 104 member-owned, not-for-profit credit unions and their almost 19 million members, we write to you today urging you to take necessary actions to avoid a government shutdown and the harm it would inflict on the Commonwealth and your constituents.

Virginia's credit unions serve millions of military members, veterans, federal government employees, and government contractors. A government shutdown will cause serious harm to credit union members, their families, and to credit unions. While credit unions across Virginia are preparing to help impacted members should the government shut down, we believe a continuing resolution or the passage of the appropriations bills prior to the Sept. 30 deadline is the most desirable outcome. We urge you to pass legislation to fund the government and avoid the damage a government shutdown will cause.

The government shutdown was a key topic of discussion last week when the Virginia Credit Union League (VACUL) and member credit unions met with your staff in Washington. We appreciate the candid conversation we had with your staff about the impact of a government shutdown and trust you'll work to avoid such an outcome.

We thank you for your consideration of this important issue. If we can provide any information that would be helpful, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "JT Blau". The letters are stylized and cursive.

JT Blau
Chief Advocacy Officer, Virginia Credit Union League