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July 27, 2016

The Honorable Chuck Fleischmann
U.S. House of Representatives
230 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Fleischmann:

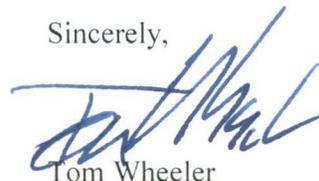
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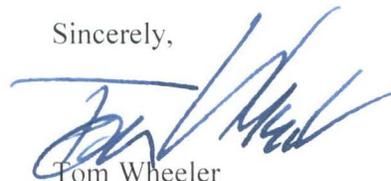
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United States Senate
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