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August 21, 2019

The Honorable A. Donald McEachin
U.S. House of Representatives
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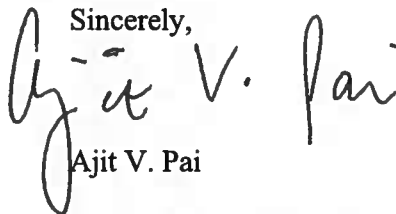
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The Honorable Ann McLane Kuster
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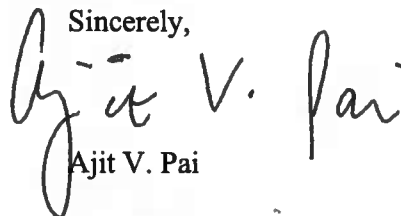
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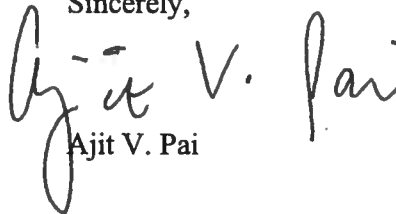
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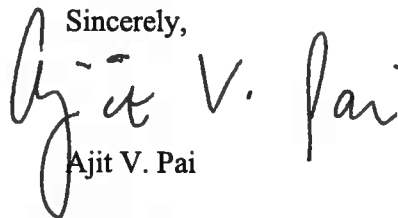
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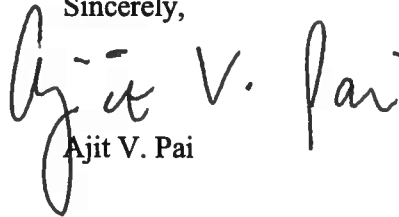
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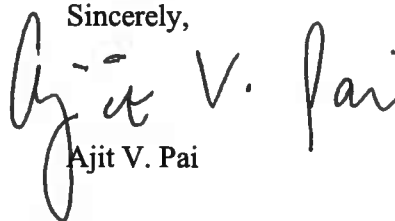
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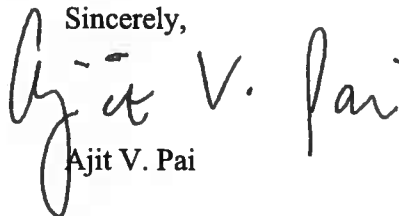
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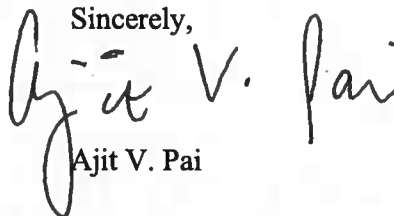
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The Honorable Jan Schakowsky
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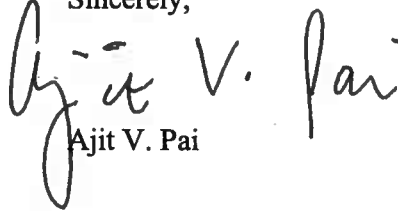
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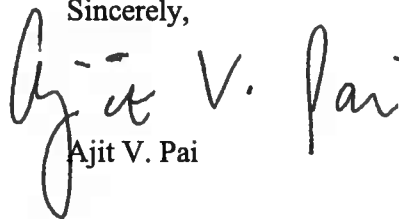
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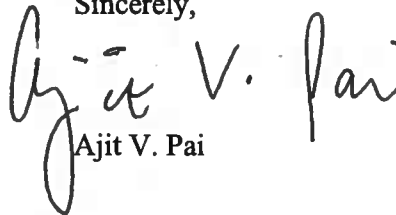
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U.S. House of Representatives
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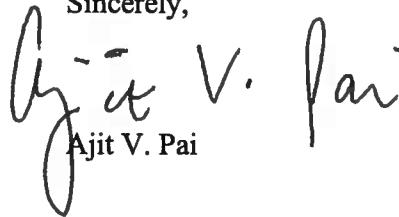
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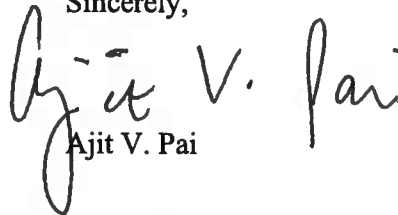
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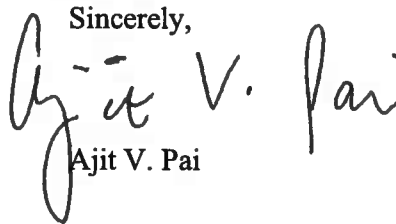
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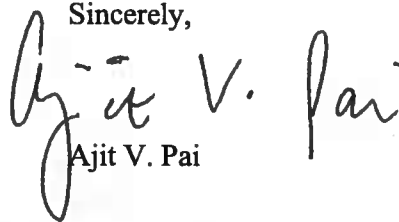
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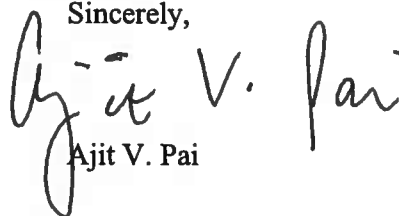
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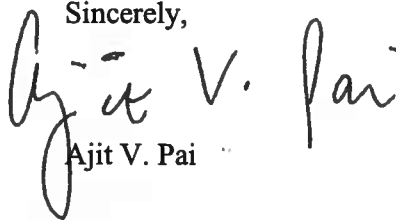
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