





September 7, 2012

The Honorable John Boehner Speaker U.S. House of Representatives H-232, U.S. Capitol Washington DC, 20515 The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Minority Leader U.S. House of Representatives H-204, U.S. Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Boehner and Minority Leader Pelosi:

The strength and future viability of the FHA mortgage insurance program is of critical importance to American families, the housing industry, and our nation's economic recovery. The undersigned organizations, representing the housing industry, support H.R. 4264, the FHA Emergency Fiscal Solvency Act of 2012.

Over the last several years, FHA has taken a number of steps to safeguard the continued financial viability of the fund, while guaranteeing its availability to consumers as a source of affordable, safe mortgage financing. This legislation will provide FHA with additional tools to better manage risk and protect the fund, without disenfranchising responsible homebuyers.

Hard times call for hard choices, and while we may not agree with all the provisions in this legislation, we agree they are necessary to ensure FHA remains an option for homebuyers today and into the future.

H.R. 4264 is expected to be considered by the full House on Monday, September 10. We urge the House to pass this legislation.

Sincerely,

Mortgage Bankers Association National Association of Home Builders National Association of REALTORS®