## November 15, 2016

Speaker Paul Ryan Speaker of the House of Representatives H-232 The United States Capitol Washington, DC 20515 Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi House Democratic Leader H-204 The United States Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Ryan and Minority Leader Pelosi:

We are writing to urge you to not to bring forth legislation to repeal financial reforms that are critical to U.S. businesses and our customers. The debit card fee and rule reforms prescribed in Section 1075 of the Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act have provided significant relief to Main Street businesses from anti-free market practices employed by global credit and debit card brands.

As cornerstones in the business community, we are staunch supporters of free enterprise, and generally do not support any market intervention unless markets are not functioning efficiently. Credit and debit card acceptance is a prime example of a non-functioning marketplace.

In an age where electronic payments have become virtually ubiquitous, very few businesses can choose not to accept credit and debit cards and still remain competitive. This dynamic has enabled global card brands to leverage a business model whereby they can change the rules of card acceptance at any moment. In many instances, these rule changes constitute an enormous free market intrusion and overstep by limiting the flexibility of card acceptors to make decisions about how to best run their businesses and serve their customers.

The competitive gap between international and U.S. payment card acceptors is growing every day that the U.S. market fails to move toward a more transparent, equitable, and free market for card acceptance. There are several reforms still needed in the credit card marketplace to improve payment acceptance as the United States continues to adopt new and innovative ways to pay in the mobile and e-commerce spaces. Debit card reforms have been a major step in the right direction, and any removal of those reforms would be a monumental step in the wrong direction for U.S. businesses and consumers.

Our undersigned companies oppose any efforts to repeal debit card fee and rule reforms. Language included in Section 335 of the Financial CHOICE Act (HR 5983) would dismantle the substantial progress debit reforms have made in correcting in part an otherwise non-functioning, and non-transparent card acceptance marketplace in the United States. We strongly urge you not to take up any divisive legislation that repeals debit reforms. Existing debit card fee reforms matter a great deal to our individual businesses.

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Regal Entertainment Group

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Reladyne, Inc.

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Shree Star Inc.

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Southern Theatres

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STi Fuels

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Super 1 Foods

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Superb Super Markets Inc

Superlo Foods

Supermarket Operations Inc.

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Tennessee id

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The Convenience Group, LLC

The Express

The Fresh Grocer

The Home Depot

The Hub Convenience Stores, LLC

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