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The Honorable Bill Cassidy
U.S. House of Representatives
1535 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Cassidy,

We are writing in support of *the Patient Access to Drugs in Shortage Act*. This legislation represents an important first step in addressing the root cause of a growing nation-wide drug shortage crisis – correcting reimbursements.

We applaud the approach taken in the bill by recognizing the role of economics in the drug shortage debate. As we have seen over the past few years, poor Medicare reimbursements have provided few economic incentives for a healthy generic drug market for anti-cancer and other critically-needed injectable generic drugs. This proposal remedies that problem by providing a more fair and equitable reimbursement formula.

Again, we are thankful for your outstanding leadership in tackling this important issue. We are very encouraged by the legislation you have released and would like to work with you to enact meaningful incentives that will ensure these products remain available to all patients.

Sincerely,

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James Frary
President, AmerisourceBergen Specialty Group

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark O. Johnson".

Mark O. Johnson
President, ION Solutions

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dave Leverette".

Dave Leverette
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