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The Honorable Carolyn Maloney
Chairwoman
House Committee on Oversight and Reform
2157 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable James Comer
Ranking Member
House Committee on Oversight and Reform
2157 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Maloney, Ranking Member Comer and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of the American Federation of Government Employees, AFL-CIO (AFGE) and the 700,000 federal government and District of Columbia employees we represent, I urge you to support H.R. 564, the Comprehensive Paid Leave for Federal Workers Act during the Committee's business meeting this week. This bill will invest in the wellbeing, productivity, and morale of the professional, apolitical civil service.

H.R. 564, the "Comprehensive Paid Leave for Federal Workers Act" provides federal workers 12 weeks of paid family leave for all instances covered under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), including care for close family members, serious employee health conditions, and issues involving military deployment. The COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated the need for strong paid leave policies for workers to take care of themselves and their loved ones. No federal worker should have to choose between a paycheck and caring for their family.

AFGE strongly urges you to support H.R. 564, the Comprehensive Paid Leave for Federal Workers Act during the House Oversight and Reform Committee's business meeting this week. For questions or more information please contact Fiona Kohrman at fiona.kohrman@afge.org. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Everett B. Kelley
National President

