

Dear Congress:

We, the undersigned artists, respectfully submit this letter in support of NIVA's request for federal assistance for independent music venues and promoters across the United States.

We will know America is "back" when our music venues are filled with fans enjoying concerts safely. The live music experience is inextricably tied to our nation's cultural and economic fabric. In fact, 53% of Americans – that's 172 million of us – attended a concert last year.

We urge you to remember we are the nation that gave the world jazz, country, rock & roll, bluegrass, hip hop, metal, blues, and R&B. Entertainment is America's largest economic export, with songs written and produced by American artists sung in every place on the globe. All of these genres of music, and the artists behind them, were able to thrive because they had neighborhood independent venues to play in and hone their craft, build an audience, and grow into the entertainers that bring joy to millions.

Independent venues give artists their start, often as the first stage most of us have played on. These venues were the first to close and will be the last to reopen. With zero revenue and the overwhelming overhead of rent, mortgage, utilities, taxes and insurance, **90% of independent venues report that if the shutdown lasts six months and there's no federal assistance, they will never reopen again.**

We are asking you to support NIVA's request for assistance so these beloved venues can reopen when it's safe and welcome us and our fans back in. The collapse of this crucial element in the music industry's ecosystem would be devastating.

Independent venues are asking for an investment to secure their future, not a handout. One Chicago report found that every dollar small venues generate in ticket sales results in \$12 of economic activity. If these independent venues close forever, cities and towns across America will not only lose their cultural and entertainment hearts, but they will lose the engine that would otherwise be a driver of economic renewal for all the businesses that surround them.

With respect and solidarity, we, as artists and as community members ourselves, urge you to pass federal legislation that will help #SaveOurStages.

Sincerely,



Dave Grohl (Foo Fighters)



Billie Eilish



Willie Nelson



Amy Schumer



Jeff Foxworthy



Mavis Staples



Jimmy Buffett



Lady Gaga



Gary Clark Jr.



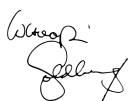
Miranda Lambert



Coldplay
Chris Martin, Jonny Buckland, Guy Berryman, Will Champion



Neil Young



Whoopi Goldberg



David Letterman



Kacey Musgraves



Billy Joel



Brittany Howard (Alabama Shakes)



Jerry Seinfeld



Brandi Carlile



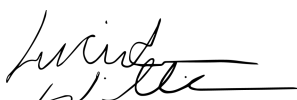
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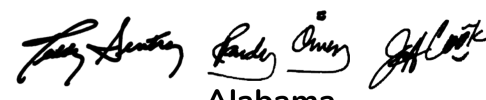
Rita Ora



Troy Andrews (Trombone Shorty)



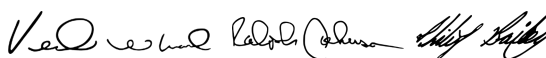
Lucinda Williams



Alabama
Randy Owen, Teddy Gentry, Jeff Cook



St. Vincent



Earth, Wind & Fire
Verdine White, Ralph Johnson, Philip Bailey



Carol Burnett



Justin Vernon (Bon Iver)



Cher



David Byrne (Talking Heads)



Norah Jones



Aminé



Tiffany Haddish



Alice Cooper



Cyndi Lauper



Patrick Carney (The Black Keys)



Vampire Weekend
Ezra Koenig, Chris Baio, Chris Tomson



Robert Plant (Led Zeppelin)



Bonnie Raitt



Chris Stapleton



Vanessa Williams



Daryl Hall (Hall & Oates)



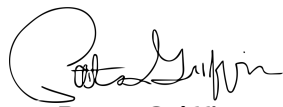
Josh Homme (Queens of the Stone Age)



Carole King



Aaron Neville



Patty Griffin



Steve Aoki



Leon Bridges



Ozzy Osbourne



Carly Rae Jepsen



Mike Love (The Beach Boys)



Kamasi Washington



Brothers Osborne



Jewel



Wyclef Jean



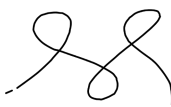
Joan Baez



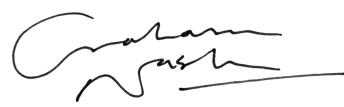
Trent Reznor (Nine Inch Nails)



John Mellencamp



Iliza Shlesinger



Graham Nash



Natalie Portman



Jack Black



Billy Porter



John Mayer



The Lumineers



Patti Smith



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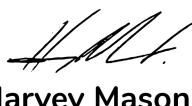
Mitski



Bob Weir (Grateful Dead)



Greg Harris
(President, Rock & Roll Hall of Fame)



Harvey Mason Jr
(President, Recording Academy)



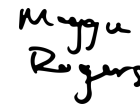
Damon Whiteside
(CEO, Academy of Country Music)



Sarah Silverman



Larry The Cable Guy



Maggie Rogers



Stephen Stills



Jason Isbell



David Crosby

Jay Leno

Mandy Moore

James Mercer (The Shins)

Ilana Glazer

Ray Romano

Lennon Stella

John Gourley (Portugal. The Man)

Carly Simon

Reggie Watts

Tanya Tucker

Conor Oberst

Katey Sagal

Jimmy Eat World

Renee Fleming

David Gray

Tig Notaro

Damian Marley

Joni Mitchell

Michael Franti

Shirley Jones

Drive-By Truckers

Alison Mosshart (The Kills)

Pat Boone

Kesha

Britt Daniel (Spoon)

Tori Kelly

Ian MacKaye (Fugazi)

Sharon Van Etten

Beck

Rachel Bloom (Crazy Ex-Girlfriend)

Lee Greenwood

Kim Gordon (Sonic Youth)

Akiva Schaffer (The Lonely Island)

Soccer Mommy

Macklemore

Lucy Dacus

Eric Andre

Lisa Lampenelli

Alan Parsons

DNCKO ZOMBIE
JENSEN EAT EAT EAT

Flatbush Zombies

Andrew Savage Max Savage Austin Brown Sean Yeaton
Parquet Courts

Andrew Savage, Max Savage, Austin Brown, Sean Yeaton

Jordan Klepper

Jordan Klepper

Alex Sally V. Leland

Beach House

Jon Hamm

Jon Hamm

Natalie Mering

Natalie Mering (Weyes Blood)

Mickey Hart

Mickey Hart (Grateful Dead)

Suzanne Vega

Suzanne Vega

Colin Farrell

Colin Farrell

Deon Cole

Deon Cole

Jed Hilly

Jed Hilly
(Executive Director, Americana Music Association)

Adam Conover
Adam Lee Miller
Adeline
Adolescents
Afterlife
The Agonist
Ahmed Gallab
Aidan Alexander
Alabama Shakes
Alan Parsons
Alex Greenwald
Alex Hall
Alex Mali
Alexa Mansour
Algebra Blessett
Alice Cooper
Alison Mosshart (The Kills)
Alison Wonderland
The Almost
Alpha Wolf
Alter Bridge
Amanda Anne Platt
The Amazing Kreskin
Aminé
The Amours
Amy Schumer
Ana Popović
Andre Benjamin
Andrea Ricci
Andrew Kyne
Andrew Laubacher
Andrew Savage (Parquet
Courts
Andy Cabic
Angela Johnson
Angelica Garcia
Anna St. Louis
Annie Hart
The Aquabats
Armand Majidi
ARTHUR
Arthur Moon
Ash Costello
Ashlee Simpson
August Burns Red
Ayron Jones
BAILEN
The Ballroom Thieves

The Baylor Project
Bayonet Records
Be//gotten
The Beach Boys
Beach Bunny
Beach House
Beartooth
Being As An Ocean
Ben Whiteley
Benjamin Ruttner
Benjamin Scheuer
Bi TYRANT
Biffy Clyro
Big Gigantic
Big Wild
Bill Bellamy
Billie Eilish
Billy Gibbons (ZZ Top)
Billy Joel
Billy Porter
Billy Squier
The Black Dahlia Murder
The Black Keys
Black Stone Cherry
Black Violin
Blue Oyster Cult
BLUEOX
Bob Corritore
Bob Weir (Grateful Dead)
Bonnie Raitt
Born Of Osiris
Boy Named Banjo
Bradd Marquis
Brady Blade
Brandi Carlile
Breakup Shoes
Brett Dennen
Brian Owens
Britt Daniel (Spoon)
Brittany Anjou
Brittany Howard (Alabama
Shakes)
Britton Walker
Broadside
Broken Social Scene
Brothers Osborne
The Cadillac Three
Cahalen Morrison

Cailin Russo
Caitlyn Smith
Calexico
Can't Swim
Cannibal Corpse
Carly Rae Jepsen
Carly Simon
Carmen Vandenberg
Carol Burnett
Carole King
Cass McCombs
Cat Coore
Caylee Hammack
Chaos in The CBD
Chapel
Charlene Kaye
Chelsea Grin
Cher
Chris Aiken
Chris Erickson
Chris Shiflett
Chris Smither
Chris Stapleton
Christopher Owens
Christopher Paul Stelling
Christopher Titus
Chuck Prophet
Cindy Cashdollar
Citizen
Citizen Fish
The Claudettes
Colin Farrell
Con Brio
Conor Oberst
The Contortionist
Control Top
Cordovas
Corey Laitman
Counterparts
Craig Setari
Crown The Empire
Cryogeyser
Culture Shock
Currents
Cursive
Cyanca
The Cybertronic Spree
Cyndi Lauper

Dack Janiels
Damian Marley
The Damned
Dan Smith
Dan Whitney (Larry the Cable Guy)
Dance Gavin Dance
Daniel Norgren
Daniela Bojorges
Darius Koski
Darkest Hour
Darlingside
Daryl Hall (Hall & Oates)
Dave Alvin
Dave Grohl (Foo Fighters)
Dave Mason
David Byrne (Talking Heads)
David Copperfield
David Crosby
David Gray
David Letterman
David Ryan Harris
David West
Dean Wareham
The Dear Hunter
Deb Never
Debi Nova
Deep Sea Diver
Deer Tick
Dehd
Demon Hunter
Deon Cole
Dermot Kennedy
Derrick Donaldson
Deva Mahal
The Devil Wears Prada
DIIV
Dinosaur Pile-Up
DJ Beauty and the Beatz
Don McLean
Donnell Rawlings
Donnie Shaw
Doug Benson
Doyle Bramhall II
Dragged Under
Drive-By Truckers
Drug Church
Duane Lauginiger

Duckwrth
Duncan Shiek
Dylan Slocum (Spanish Love Songs)
The Early November
Earth, Wind, and Fire
Eclair Fifi
Edie Brickell
Eilen Jewell
Eli Maiman
Elizabeth Penta
Ellie Goodman
Emancipator
Emmure
Enda Scahill
Entheos
Eric Andre
Eric Roberson
Evan Ross
Eve 6
Exodus
The Faim
Fastball
Faye Webster
Fayuca
Fit For A King
Flatbush Zombies
The Flesh Eaters
Flying Buffaloes
The Format
Foster The People
Foxing
Frank Turner
Frank Vicario
Frankie Cosmos
Freddy Cricien (Madball)
Frederic Yonnet
Free Throw
FRENSHIP
The Frights
Fu Manchu
Fur Coat
Gang Gang Dance
Gareth Emery
Gary Clark, Jr.
Gatecreeper
Gentle Temper
George Clanton

George Lopez
George Winston
Gin Blossoms
Gina Volpe
Gio Benedetti
Giraffage
Glitterer
The Good Life
Good Riddance
Goose
Graham Nash
Grayscale
Greg Humphreys
GRiZ
Guccihighwaters
GWAR
The Halestorm
Harvey Mason Jr.
Havok
Hayes Carll
Hex Cougar
Highly Suspect
The HillBenders
HONNE
Hopesfall
Hot Water Music
Hovvdy
I Prevail
Ian Fowles
Ian MacKaye (Fugazi)
Ian Roberts
Ilana Glazer
Iliza Shlesinger
Intervals
Jack Antonoff
Jacob Kiley
James Mercer (The Shins)
James Rouse
Jamie Kennedy
Jason Isbell
Jason Schwartzman (Coconut Records)
Jay Leno
Jay Mohr
Jay Som
Jed Hilly (Americana Music Association)
Jeff Cook (Alabama)

Jeff Tweedy
Jeremiah Fraites (The Lumineers)
Jerry Seinfeld
Jesse Malin
Jesse McCartney
Jessie Mueller
Jessy Wilson
Jewel
Jim Adkins
Jimbo Mathus
Jimi PrimeTime Smith
Jimmy Buffett
Jimmy Eat World
Joan Baez
Joe Hottinger
John Bonnel
John Cafferty & the Beaver Brown Band
John Jorgenson
John Lee
John Mayer
John Mellencamp
John P. Hammond
John Paul White
Johnny Simon
JoJo Benton
Jon Gabrus
Jon Hamm
Jon Mohr
Jonah Swilley
Jonathan Kirchner
Joni Mitchell
Jordan Klepper
Joseph Escalante
Joseph Lally (Fugazi)
Josh Homme (Queens of the Stone Age)
Josh Rouse
Josh Smith
Julien Chang
July Talk
June Diane Raphael
Justin Vernon (Bon Iver)
Kacey Musgraves
Kaki King
Kalbells
Kamasi Washington

Karen O (Yeah Yeah Yeahs)
Kassian
Katey Sagal
Kathryn Crutchfield (Waxahatchee)
Kaye
Kelly Zutrau
Kelow LaTessa
Kendoll
Kenny Wayne Shepherd
Kesha
Kevin Phillips
Kevin Ross
Kevin Seconds
Khemmis
Kill The Lights
Kim Gordon
Kingsmen
Kitchen Dwellers
Kublai Khan TX
Kurt Vile
Kvelertak
La Santa Cecilia
Lady Gaga
Lance Hoppen (Orleans)
LATENIGHTJIGGY
Laura Veirs
Lauren Zettler
Lee Greenwood
Lee James (Lee Ving)
Lee Roy Parnell
Left Alone
Lennon Stella
Leslie Mendelson
Lifetime
Like Moths To Flames
Limbeck
Lindsay Ell
Lisa Lampanelli
Lizzy Caplan
Locate S,1
Logic
Lorrie Morgan
Los Lobos
Los Nuevos Bajos
Los Straitjackets
Louis Freese (B Real)
Lucati

Lucie Silvas
Lucinda Williams
Lucy Dacus
Lucy Woodward
Luka Kuplowsky
Lund
The Machine
Macklemore
Madeline Follin
Madison Beer
Madison Cunningham
Maggie Rogers
Maggie Rose
Maimouna Youssef
The Maine
Makonnen
Mandolin Orange
Mandy Moore
Mara Connor
Marco Benevento
Marcus Machado
Marcus Stephens
Margo Price
Marielle Kraft
Mars Williams
Martha Scanlan
Martie Maguire
Mary Lattimore
Mason Jennings
Matt and Kim
Matt Besser
Matt Walsh
Mattiell Brown
Maurice Torres
Mavis Staples
Max Leone
Max Savage (Parquet Courts)
Mayday Parade
Me First And The Gimme Gimmes
Meg & Dia
The Melvins
Memphis May Fire
Mia Berrin (Pom Pom Squad)
Michael Diamond
Michael Franti

Michael Ian Black	ODESZA	Rachel Brosnahan
Michael Martin Murphey	Oh Land	The Rad Trads
Michael Seyer	OK Go	Rafiq Bhatia
Michael Timmins (Cowboy Junkies)	The Old Firm Casuals	RAMI JAFFEE
Michaela Anne	Oliver Francis	Rancid
Mickey Hart (Grateful Dead)	Oshima Brothers	Randy Owen (Alabama)
Mija	Oteil Burbridge	Randy Travis
MIKE	Ought	Ratboys
Mike Cooley	Over the Rhine	Ray LaMontagne
Mike Krol	Ozzy Osbourne	Ray Romano
Mike Mattison	Paint It Black	The Re-Volts
Mike Patton (Faith No More)	Palaye Royale	Real Friends
MILKK	Palehound	The Red Clay Strays
Ministry	Parker Millsap	Reggie Watts
Mipso	Parquet Courts	Renée Fleming
Miranda Lambert	Party Favor	Renee LaGoff
Misery Signals	Pascal Stevenson	Rhea Butcher
Miss May I	Pat Boone	Rhiannon Giddens
Miss Tess	Pat Smear (Foo Fighters)	Rhye
Misterwives	Pat Travers	Richard Lewis
Mitski	Patrick Briggs	Richard Thompson
Moaning	Patrick Carney (Black Keys)	Richie James Follin
Molly Hamilton	Patrick Glynn	Rick Burch
(Widowspeak)	Patterson Hood	Rickie Lee Jones
Moon Taxi	Patti Smith	Rings of Saturn
Moon Tooth	Patton Oswalt	Rita Ora
Motionless In White	Patty Griffin	Riverboat Gamblers
Movements	Paul Cebal	Rob Ickes & Trey Hensley
Mr. Bungle	Paul Kostabi	Rob Thomas (Matchbox 20)
Mundy's Bay	Payton Smith	Robert Plant (Led Zeppelin)
Nahko	Pete Koller	Robert Ramos
Natalie Portman	Pete Yorn	Robert Williams (Big Sandy)
Nate Mendel (Foo Fighters)	Philip Glass	Roger McGuinn (The Byrds)
Negative Gemini	Phillip Phillips	Rufus Wainwright
Neil Young	The Picturebooks	Russell Peters
New Years Day	Pigeon Kings	Ryan Gaul
Nicola Kuperus	Pigeons Playing Ping Pong	Ryan Mattos
Night Birds	Pinegrove	Ryan Scott
Night Moves	Plain White T's	Sad13
No Age	Playboy Manbaby	Sam Amidon
Noah Gunderson	Pom Pom Squad	Sam DeRosa
Norah Jones	Portugal The Man	Sam Means
North Mississippi Allstars	Power Trip	Samy Name
Nothing Left	Propagandhi	Sarah Borges
nothing, nowhere.	Queensrÿche	Sarah Silverman
NOTS	Ra Ra Riot	SASAMI
O.A.R.	Rachel Bloom	Satellite Mode
	Rachel Bradley	Savoir Adore

Scott Mulvahill
Sean Eden (Luna)
Seth Walker
Sevendust
Sharon Van Etten
Sharp Shock
Shawn Phillips
Sheer Mag
Shinedown
Shirley Jones
Shovels & Rope
Sick Of It All
Sidepiece
Silent Planet
Silverstein
Silersun Pickups
Skating Polly
The Slackers
Sleater-Kinney
Slothrust
smrtdeth
Soccer Mommy
Son Little
Sonny Landreth
The Sounds
Speedy Ortiz
Spike Slawson
Spirit of the Beehive
Squirrel Flower
Squirrel Nut Zippers
St. Panther
St. Paul and the Broken
Bones
St. Vincent
Starkill
The Starting Line
Steady Rock & Code
The SteelDrivers
Steve Forbert
Steve Vai
Stick To Your Guns
Stray From The Path
SUBHUMANS
Sunn O)))
Sunsleep
Superet
Suzanne Santo
Sweet Tea Trio

Switchfoot
Sydney Silver (Lunachicks)
Sylar
Tamaryn
Tamsin Wilson
Tank and The Bangas
Tanya Tucker
Taylor Hawkins (Foo
Fighters)
Taylor Scott Band
Teddy Gentry (Alabama)
Terror
Theo Kogan
Theory Of A Deadman
They Might Be Giants
The Third Mind
Third World
THOMAS MAC
Three Sacred Souls
Thrice
Thurston Moore (Sonic
Youth)
Tiffany Haddish
Tig Notaro
Tim Darcy
Tim Green
Tim Kashner
Tom Higgenson (Plain
White T's)
Tomahawk
Tori Kelly
Trent Reznor (Nine Inch
Nails)
Trew Culture
Triathalon
Trombone Shorty
Twiddle
TWIN XL
Twiztid
Uke-Hunt
The UMA
Underoath
Uniform
Upstate
Vacationer
Valley Maker
Vanessa Williams
Veil of Maya

Violent Femmes
Volumes
Von Vargus
Walk The Moon
Walker & Royce
Walton Goggins
War On Women
Warren Haynes
Watsky
Wayne Kramer (MC5)
We Banjo 3
The Weather Station
Wenzday
Wesley Schultz (The
Lumineers)
Western Centuries
Weyes Blood
Whitechapel
Whitney Cummings
Whoopi Goldberg
WHY?
Wilco
Will Stratton
William Canning
William Hehir
William Tyler
William Wild
Willie Nelson
Wilsen
Wingtip
The Wonder Years
The Word Alive
Wuki
Wyclef Jean
X Ambassadors
Yowler
Zac Brown
Zach Lind
Zakk Wylde (Black Label
Society)
Zedd
Zeena Koda