

February 23, 2026

The Honorable Mike Simpson, Chairman
The Honorable Chellie Pingree, Ranking Member
House Interior and Environment Appropriations Subcommittee
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Simpson and Ranking Member Pingree:

On behalf of BOMA International and our 18,000+ domestic and international members, we write to extend our sincere appreciation for your leadership in ensuring that ENERGY STAR® received continued federal support by including \$33 million for the program in the Commerce, Justice, Science; Energy and Water Development; and Interior and Environment Appropriations Act, ultimately signed into law on January 23, 2026.

Your steadfast commitment to this essential, bipartisan initiative means the building owners and managers we represent and millions of Americans who rely on ENERGY STAR to improve energy efficiency and reduce costs will continue to realize the benefits of this model public-private partnership.

ENERGY STAR's portfolio manager program—relied upon by nearly 25% of U.S. commercial building space—will continue to remain available to assist building owners and managers with monitoring energy use, lowering operating costs, and contributing to a more resilient national energy system.

None of this would be possible without your explicit involvement. It cannot be underestimated that inclusion of \$32 million in funding for the program during the committee markup sent a powerful signal about the continued value and necessity of ENERGY STAR. Your leadership proved indispensable as negotiations progressed with the Senate in Conference.

We are thrilled that ENERGY STAR will remain a model public-private partnership and will continue to deliver billions in energy savings, improve

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environmental performance and strengthen the competitiveness of American buildings. The commercial real estate industry depends on the accuracy, consistency, and credibility of ENERGY STAR benchmarking. Your leadership helped ensure these benefits will continue uninterrupted.

BOMA International looks forward to continuing our work with you to advance practical, bipartisan policies that support high-performing, energy-efficient buildings across the country.

Sincerely,

Mary Lue Peck
President & Chief Operating Officer
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