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The Honorable John Kline Chairman Committee on Education & the Workforce U.S. House of Representatives Washington D.C. 20515 The Honorable George Miller Ranking Member Committee on Education & the Workforce U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

## **Re: Markup of H.R. 1120, the "Preventing Greater Uncertainty in Labor-Management Relations Act"**

Dear Chairman Kline and Ranking Member Miller:

On behalf of the National Restaurant Association, we write in support of H.R. 1120, the "Preventing Greater Uncertainty in Labor-Management Relations Act," and look forward to working with you on this important issue.

The National Restaurant Association is the leading business association for the restaurant and food service industry. The industry is comprised of 980,000 restaurant and foodservice outlets employing 13.1 million people who serve 130 million guests daily. Despite being an industry of predominately small businesses, the restaurant industry is the nation's second-largest private-sector employer, employing about 10 percent of the U.S. workforce.

The restaurant industry has been an engine of growth for our nation's unemployed during our fragile recovery, serving as the third-largest private-sector job creator since March 2010. For growth to continue, restaurateurs require greater certainty with respect to our nation's labor and employment practices. It is absolutely vital for employers to have a properly functioning labor board in order to eliminate any confusion with respect to compliance.

Again, thank you for your work on this issue. We strongly support the legislation's passage and look forward to working with you toward that end.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Members of the House Committee on Education and the Workforce