



November 18, 2025

The Honorable Mark Alford  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Hillary Scholten  
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Dear Representative Alford and Representative Scholten:

The Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council (SBE Council) is pleased to support H.R. 5764, the *AI for Main Street Act*. This legislation takes an important step in ensuring that small business owners have access to trusted guidance and practical tools in adopting artificial intelligence solutions to strengthen operations, improve productivity, and enhance competitiveness.

SBE Council's recent surveys demonstrate the importance of this effort. Our October 2025 [Small Business Check Up and Tech Use Survey](#), found that 88% of small business owners reported using or planning to use AI and digital tools within their operations, and 73% expressed that AI tools are now essential to their competitiveness and long-term growth. Yet, many small firms lack access to trusted, affordable support and have concerns about data privacy, accuracy of outputs, employee training, and keeping pace with new technology, according to the survey. By empowering Small Business Development Centers (SBDCs) to offer AI training, best practices, and integration guidance, your bill provides the type of support small business owners need.

The *AI for Main Street Act* aims to provide relevant support in a fast-changing environment. SBE Council appreciates your leadership in addressing both the opportunities and challenges that AI presents for America's small businesses.

Sincerely,

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