

October 24, 2024

The Honorable Charles Schumer Majority Leader United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Mike Johnson Speaker of the House U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Mitch McConnell Minority Leader United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Hakeem Jeffries Minority Leader U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

RE: Support the Combating Organized Retail Crime Act (S. 140/H.R. 895)

Dear Leaders Schumer and McConnell, Speaker Johnson and Leader Jeffries:

On behalf of the National Retail Federation, our members, our employees and our customers, the undersigned companies write in strong support of the Combating Organized Retail Crime Act (S. 140/H.R. 895). On this third annual Fight Retail Crime Day, we call upon Congress to pass this important legislation that will help counter the continuing rise of organized retail crime, which costs retailers billions of dollars in stolen merchandise and threatens the safety of retail workers and customers.

Organized retail criminal activity has continued to increase across the United States, particularly over the past couple of years. In NRF's 2023 National Retail Security Survey, more than two-thirds (67%) of respondents said they were seeing even more violence and aggression from ORC perpetrators compared with a year earlier. ORC activity not only has an economic impact on retailers, but also a broader effect in terms of the safety of store employees and customers. We continue to see daily media reports of violent retail offenders.

Retail loss prevention teams and state and local law enforcement have active efforts to investigate ORC groups and build cases but are frequently hampered by a lack of visibility into the scope of retail crime groups' broader activities, nationally and internationally. These criminals use the proceeds from ORC to fund more nefarious crimes, including drugs, guns and human smuggling. The Combating Organized Retail Crime Act would help address these issues by creating greater coordination and providing increased resources for law enforcement at all levels.

We continue to believe that this legislation would help counter rising ORC activity, which threatens the safety of retail associates and customers, degrades the shopping experience and costs retailers billions of dollars in stolen merchandise. The bill has strong bi-partisan, bicameral support. We urge you to co-sponsor S. 140/H.R. 895 and work to ensure its passage.

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Sincerely,

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Ahold Delhaize / Retail Business Services

Albertsons Companies

Alto US Amazon

Amber Designs
Ambiance Boutique

American Eagle Outfitters Inc.

American Sale

Annie's Blue Ribbon General Store

Ariat International, Inc. Arvidson Pools & Spas

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Axis Communications B&W Hardware Backcountry.com

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Ben Franklin Crafts Best Buy Co., Inc. BJ's Wholesale Club

Blazer Industries, Inc. Bloomingdale's

Body Basics

Books-A-Million Inc.

Branded Strategic Hospitality

Brooks-Huff Tire & Auto Centers Buffalo Exchange, Limited Inc.

Bundle x Joy Candid Art

Capri Holdings, Limited

Carltons

Castle Megastore Casual Adventure

CB Stuffer

Celtic Tides Chic to Chic Chica Beauty LLC Chocolat-e Inc.

Christine's Upscale Resale Classic City Creamery, LLC

Coalition of Law Enforcement and Retail

Colonie Cards and Gifts Completely Kentucky

Conn's Hospitality Group, Inc.

CONTROLTEK Creative Kitchen

Crystal Blue Vibrations Cupcake Sisters LLC

Cutie Patutie's Consignment DarlingxDashing Boutique

David's Bridal Inc.

Déjà Vu Furniture and More Destination XL Group, Inc. Dick's Sporting Goods Inc.

Dollar Tree

Dominion Jewelers Down in the Valley

Duesway Inc.

eBay ECi Stores

Eggers Furniture Inc.

Emily's Heirloom Pound Cakes

EssilorLuxottica

Farmers Union Oil Company of Kenmare

Farmstead Cheeses & Wines

Five Below

Floor & Decor Holdings, Inc

Gap Inc.

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GROW Nebraska

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Home Nature, Inc.

Hudson's Bay Company

Hugo Boss Fashions, Inc.

IKEA North America Services, LLC

Inca Brands, Inc. ink! Coffee

It's Nola/Brooklyn Granola

J. Noble Binns Plumbing Co., Inc.

James Avery Jewelry

JCPenney

Kering Americas, Inc.

Klem's

Kohl's Corporation

Kroger Co. Kroll/Tomas Inc.

Labyrinth Games & Puzzles

Lex's of Carytown LGS Prime Steakhouse

Loss Prevention Foundation Loss Prevention Research Council

Luca Boutique Inc.

Luggage Shop of Lubbock lululemon Athletica Inc.

LVMH Inc. Macy's, Inc.

Mandala Scrubs

Margaret's Boutique, Inc.

Marineland Boating Center

Marshall Grain Co. Mast General Store, Inc.

Master's Hand

Maurices Incorporated Max Pawn Luxury

McDowell Professional Pharmacy

McKeithen Hardware LLC

Merle Norman Cosmetics/Kacy Cosmetics Inc.

Microsoft Corporation Mike's Feed Farm Minkee Blue, Inc. Moonstruck Vintage

Murdoch's Ranch & Home Supply

Nahdi Medical Co.

NCR Voyix

NJB Protection

Nordstrom

Old Post Card Works

Otra Vez Couture Consignment

Out There Outfitters

Palmer Computer Services, Inc.

Party Fair Patina Inc.

Perry Ellis International, Inc.

PetSmart, Inc.

Philip Michael Fashion
Philips Ace Hardware
Pitkin's Home Center
Qurate Retail Group
Ralph Lauren Corporation
Ralston Valley Canine
Random Harvest Home
Repeat Performance
Retail Management Hero

Rippy's Liquor and Marketplace Riverhead Building Supply Corp.

Roundabouts Consignments

S&K Collectibles Saks Off 5th Schaefer's Seltzer Goods

Sensormatic Solutions

Sephora USA Signet Jewelers

Simply Unique Jewelry Designs Ltd

Sol Dias

Soul Connection Southeastern Grocers Sparks Florist

Spencer Gifts LLC

Spirit Halloween Superstores, LLC

Staples US Retail

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Sunrise Boutique

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Surveyors Supply Company, Inc.

Sweet Seconds LLC

Tapestry, Inc.
Target Corporation
The Blue Shell Gifts

The Brass Owl The Casual Pint

The Children's Place, Inc.

The Fitting Room

The Glynn Hospitality Group

The Kindship

The Music Wagon, LLC The Pet Beastro LLC

The Shoppes at Arbor Lakes
The Smoke Stack Hobby Shop

The Tiny Owl

The Wet Spot Tropical Fish The Willis Music Company

ThinkLP

Timberland Truckstop LLC

TJX Companies, Inc.
Toffee to Go, Inc.
Total Wine & More
Tractor Supply Company

Ulta Beauty

Victoria's Secret & Co. Vinson Fine Furniture

VK Electronics Walgreens

Walkabout Outfitter

Walmart

Waterford Farm Supply, Inc. Wauseon Ace Hardware

Weaver's, Inc.

Williams Ski and Patio

CC: Members of the U.S. Senate

Members of the U.S. House of Representatives