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August 8, 2025

Via Electronic Submission

The Honorable Charles E. Schumer
Minority Leader
United States Senate
322 Hart Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510

RE: Support for NDAA Amendment 3640

Dear Senator Schumer,

I am writing on behalf of the members of the Community Development Bankers Association (CDBA) to request your support for Amendment 3640 to the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) filed by Senators Daines, Rounds, Warner and Smith. CDBA strongly supports the amendment, and we respectfully request that you work with the leadership of the Armed Services and Banking Committees to clear the amendment for inclusion in the NDAA.

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Amendment 3640 incorporates valuable, budget neutral, CDFI-focused bills: The Scaling Community Lenders Act (Warner/Crapo), CDFI Fund Transparency Act (Daines/Warner), CDFI Bond Guarantee Improvement Act of 2025 (Rounds/Smith), and the Native CDFI Relending Program (Smith/Rounds).

The bills included in Amendment 3640 will help strengthen the infrastructure of the CDFI banking sector, enhancing our collective ability to deliver capital to communities across the country.

We appreciate your continued support and look forward to working together to ensure that CDFI banks have the tools they need to drive economic growth in the communities that need it most.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Tim Scott
Chairman
Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
United States Senate
104 Hart Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510

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Dear Chairman Scott,

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Majority Leader
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The Honorable Roger Wicker
Chairman
Committee on Armed Services
United States Senate
425 Russell Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Jack Reed
Ranking Member
Committee on Armed Services
United States Senate
728 Hart Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510

RE: Support for NDAA Amendment 3640

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