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The Honorable Charles E. Schumer
Senate Majority Leader
322 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House
1236 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Senate Minority Leader
317 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy
House Minority Leader
2468 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Leaders Schumer and McConnell, Speaker Pelosi, and Minority Leader McCarthy,

The American Mathematical Society is delighted that the Senate has passed bipartisan legislation that will bolster US competitiveness through new investments in science and technology. We are especially encouraged to see included several provisions from the House-led COMPETES bill that will expand our national capacity to advance research and broaden participation in STEM fields.

This will in large part be done by enhancing the role of the National Science Foundation (Title III of HR 4346). Further, we are pleased to see provisions to enhance rural STEM, boost achievement at Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs) and combat sexual harassment in science (Title V), and also to support early-career researchers (Title VI).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Karen Saxe'.

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