

September 24, 2019

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Majority Leader  
U.S. Senate

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
Speaker of the House  
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Chuck Schumer  
Minority Leader  
U.S. Senate

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy  
Minority Leader  
U.S. House of Representatives

Dear Majority Leader McConnell, Speaker Pelosi, Minority Leader Schumer and Minority Leader McCarthy:

On behalf of the over six hundred innovators, patient groups, physicians, hospitals, venture capitalists and other stakeholders signed below representing millions of patients and hundreds of thousands medical technology jobs, we respectfully request that Congress prioritize repeal of the medical device excise tax before it causes any more harm to the innovation ecosystem. While the tax was in place from 2013 through 2015, thousands of good paying jobs were lost, research and development projects were abandoned and patients were denied new treatments. The Senate and House have both previously passed repeal legislation with strong bipartisan majorities, and now is the time to put an end to this punishing policy before the current suspension expires on December 31, 2019.

As you know, the medical device industry is a unique American success story, both for patients and our economy. The U.S. is the world leader in manufacturing lifesaving and life-enhancing treatments, and the industry is an important engine for economic growth. The industry employs more than 400,000 workers nationwide, generates approximately \$25 billion in payroll, pays out salaries that are 40 percent more than the national average (\$58,000 vs.\$42,000) and invests nearly \$10 billion in research and development (R&D) annually. The industry is fueled by innovative companies, the majority of which are small businesses with 80 percent of companies having fewer than 50 employees and 98 percent with fewer than 500 employees.

Unfortunately, when the medical device tax was in effect, it had an adverse impact on research and development investment and job creation, jeopardizing the U.S. position as a global leader in medical device innovation. U.S. Department of Commerce Census Data shows that the industry lost 29,000 jobs during the three years that the tax was in effect, and recent reports suggest that a reinstatement of the tax could result in an additional loss of 21,000 jobs. If this tax is not fully repealed, it will continue to force companies to make difficult decisions on whether to invest in manufacturing operations, research and development and other important investments in communities across the U.S.

Members of Congress from both parties joined together in late 2015 to suspend the tax from 2016 through 2017 and again in 2018 to delay it through 2019. The suspension of the tax has resulted in improvements to the ecosystem in the short-term and has enabled companies to reinvest in research and development, make new hires and provide new benefits to their employees like companywide raises and increased 401(k) matches. Still, companies are holding off on long-term investments to prepare for the possible reinstatement of the tax at the end of this year. Fortunately, there continues to be overwhelming bipartisan support for full repeal of the medical device tax in Congress.

At a time when the federal government is working to promote investment in U.S. industries of the future, it is inconsistent that a tax of this magnitude is placed on the medical device industry. We must do all we can to encourage and promote research, development, investment and innovation, and we remain dedicated to working with Congress to finally repeal the medical device tax this year. We respectfully request timely action on legislation to put a permanent end to this punitive excise tax.

Sincerely,

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4C Medical Technologies	Alerje
6S Medical LLC	Alexso, Inc.
AAOMS	Allergan
Abbott Laboratories	Alliance of Specialty Medicine
ABIOMED	ALPCO Diagnostics
Academy of General Dentistry	Alpha Logic, Inc.
AccuBreath	Alphatec Spine, Inc.
Accuray, Inc.	AlterG
Acelity	Alucent Biomedical
ACELL, Inc.	America's Blood Centers
Acertara Acoustic Laboratories	American Association for Respiratory Care
Acessa Health	American Association of Neurological Surgeons
ACI Medical LLC	American Behcet's Disease Association (ABDA)
Activ Surgical	American College of Radiology
Active Life Scientific, Inc.	American Dental Association
ActivOrtho, Inc.	American Diagnostic Corp
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AcuFocus, Inc.	American IV Products, Inc.
Acuity Surgical	American Podiatric Medical Association
Acutus Medical	American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science
Adhezion Biomedical	American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery
ADM Tronics Unlimited, Inc.	American Urological Association
AdvaMed (Advanced Medical Technology Association)	Amsino International, Inc.
Advanced Catheter Therapies, Inc.	Anatomics, Inc.
Advanced Chemotherapy Technologies, Inc.	Andersen Products
Advanced Interactive Response Systems (AIRS) LLC	ANR Consulting LLC
Advanced Orthopaedic Solutions, Inc.	Apollo Endosurgery
Advanced Oxygen Therapy, Inc.	Apyx Medical
Advanced Technology Ventures	Arbor Grace, Inc.
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Aesculap, Inc.	ARC Medical
Affinity Capital	
Agfa US Corp.	

ARC Surgicals Manufacturing LLC  
Argon Medical Devices, Inc.  
Aria CV, Inc.  
Ariel Precision Medicine  
Arizona Bioindustry Association, Inc.  
(AZBio)  
ARKRAY America  
Artegraft, Inc.  
Arthrex, Inc.  
Arthritis Foundation  
ArthroSurface, Inc.  
Ascendant Dx  
Ascensia Diabetes Care AG  
ATL Technologies LLC  
Atlanta Black Nurses Association, Inc.  
Atlantis Eyecare  
AtriCure  
Aurora CTS, Inc.  
Avedro  
Avenu Medical, Inc.  
Avisi Technologies LLC  
Axogen, Inc.  
Aziyo Med LLC  
B. Braun Medical  
Bay City Capital  
Bayer U.S. LLC  
Baylis Medical Company, Inc.  
Becton, Dickinson & Company  
Belluscura  
Biocom  
BioCrossroads  
BioDerm, Inc.  
BioDirection, Inc.  
BioFlorida, Inc.  
BioForward, Inc.  
BioME (Bioscience Association of Maine)  
Biomedical Innovations  
Biomedix  
BioMentor International LLC  
Biomerics LLC  
bioMerieux  
Bioness, Inc.  
BioNJ  
BioOhio  
BioUtah  
Bone Health Technologies  
Boston Engineering  
Boston Scientific Corporation  
Boyd Technologies  
Brainlab, Inc.  
BraveHeart Wireless, Inc.  
Brightree  
Buffalo Niagara Partnership  
Busse Hospital Disposables  
CADimensions, Inc.  
Cala Health  
Calcula Technologies  
California Hepatitis C Task Force  
California Life Sciences Association  
(CLSA)  
California State Firefighter's Association  
Companion Medical, Inc.  
Canaan Partners  
Cannuflow, Inc.  
Canon Medical Systems USA, Inc.  
Cardinal Health  
Cardinal/Detecto Scale Mfg Co.  
CardioCommand, Inc.  
CardioFocus, Inc.  
Cardiolert Systems  
Cardionomic, Inc.  
Cardiovascular Systems, Inc.  
Cardiva Medical, Inc.  
Carl Zeiss Meditec, Inc.  
Carlsmed, Inc.  
CarrierCOM LP  
CellAegis Devices, Inc.  
Cepheid, Inc.  
Cerebrotech Medical Systems  
Cerevast  
Chalgren Enterprises, Inc.  
Channel Medsystems  
Chapman University's Dale E. and Sarah  
Ann Fowler School of Engineering  
CHF Solutions  
CHIP II, Inc.  
CHIP Solutions LLC  
CitareTx Investment Partners  
City of Warsaw Government  
Clarus Medical LLC  
Cleveland Medical Devices, Inc.  
Clinical Innovations LLC

Cochlear Americas  
Cogmedix, Inc.  
Cognizance Biomarkers LLC  
Coloplast  
Colorado Bioscience Association  
Command Medical Products, Inc.  
Conformis  
Congress of Neurological Surgeons  
CONMED Corporation  
Consensus Orthopedics  
Cook Group  
Council for Affordable Healthcare Coverage  
Coy Laboratory Products  
CryoLife, Inc.  
Cutera  
CVRx, Inc.  
DaVinci Biomedical Research Products, Inc.  
Delaware Ecumenical Council on Children  
and Families (DECCF)  
Delphinus Medical Technologies  
Delpor, Inc.  
Dental Trade Alliance (DTA)  
Detroit Regional Chamber  
Deurion R&D LLC  
Dexcom  
Diality  
Diatech Diabetic Technologies, Inc.  
Disposable Instrument Company, Inc.  
Domico Med-Device LLC  
DoseCue LLC  
Dune Medical Devices  
DuVal & Associates, P.A.  
DyaMx, Inc.  
E.M.M.A. International Consulting Group,  
Inc.  
EagleView Medical  
Earlens Corporation  
Economic Alliance Snohomish County  
Edwards Lifesciences  
eKare, Inc.  
Eko Health, Inc.  
ElectroCore, Inc.  
Elekta  
ELITE Strategic Services  
ELITechGroup, Inc.  
Elixir Medical Corporation  
EM&C Engineering  
Emerson Consultants, Inc.  
Emovi, Inc.  
Empirical Spine, Inc.  
EMulate Therapeutics  
Endo-Therapeutics, Inc.  
EndoGastric Solutions  
Enspectra Health  
Entrotech Life Sciences, Inc.  
Envoy Medical Corporation  
Erchonia  
ETS Manufacturing, Inc.  
Evogen, Inc.  
Evoke Neuroscience, Inc.  
Exact Sciences  
Exagen, Inc.  
Excel Medical Products, Inc.  
Excell Partners  
Experien Group LLC  
ExploraMed Development LLC  
Exthera Medical  
Fallbrook Engineering  
Fe3 Medical, Inc.  
Ferris Mfg Corp.  
Flocel, Inc.  
Florida Medical Manufacturers Consortium  
(FMMC)  
Fogarty Institute for Innovation  
Foundry Therapeutics 1  
Foundry Therapeutics 2  
FourMation 1, Inc.  
Fourth Element Capital  
Fractyl Laboratories  
FUJIFILM SonoSite, Inc.  
Fujirebio  
Fusion Biotech, Inc.  
FutraMed, Inc.  
Galen Robotics  
Gardner Medical Instruments LLC  
GE Healthcare  
Genesis Plastics Welding  
Genicon, Inc.  
Genuity LLC  
Georgia Bio  
GI Dynamics  
Giner Life Sciences, Inc.

Glaukos Corporation  
Globus Medical, Inc.  
Gradient Technologies LLC  
GraeBot, Inc.  
GraftWorx, Inc.  
Granite Spine LLC  
Great Lakes NeuroTechnologies, Inc.  
Greater Irvine Chamber  
Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce  
GRYT Health  
GT Medical Technologies, Inc.  
Gulden Ophthalmics  
Gynesonics, Inc.  
Half Moon Medical  
Hancock Jaffe Laboratories, Inc.  
Harmac Medical Products, Inc.  
Health Care Originals, Inc.  
Health Factors, Inc.  
Health Leadership Council (HLC)  
HealthCare Institute of New Jersey (HINJ)  
Healthegy  
Healthmark Industries  
Heartflow, Inc.  
Hill-Rom Holdings, Inc.  
Hitachi Healthcare America  
Hobbs Medical  
Hologic, Inc.  
Hood Laboratories  
Hyalex Orthopaedics, Inc.  
Hyprotek  
Illinois Biotechnology Innovation  
Organization (iBio)  
ImmunSYS, Inc  
Imperative Care, Inc.  
Inricor Medical Systems, Inc.  
Inceptus Medical LLC  
Indiana Health Industry Forum  
Indiana Hospital Association  
Indiana Manufacturers Association  
Indiana Medical Device Manufacturers  
Council (IMDMC)  
IndyChamber  
Inflammatix, Inc.  
InfoBionic  
InfraScan, Inc.  
Innovative Health Solutions

Inspire Medical Systems, Inc.  
Instrumentation Laboratory  
Intact Vascular, Inc.  
Integrity Implants  
Intelligent Implant Systems LLC  
Intent Solutions  
International Association of Hepatitis Task  
Forces  
International Foundation for Autoimmune &  
Autoinflammatory Arthritis  
International Medicine Industries, Inc.  
Interrad Medical, Inc.  
Intersect ENT  
Intrinsic Therapeutics, Inc.  
Intuitive Surgical, Inc.  
Intuity Medical  
IRIDEX Corporation  
ISPG, Inc.  
Ivantis, Inc.  
J3 Bioscience, Inc.  
Jenavalve Technology, Inc.  
JR Associates  
KARL STORZ Endovision  
KLS-Martin Manufacturing LLC  
Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce  
Kuraray America, Inc.  
LamaMed Solutions, Inc.  
Laser Peripherals LLC  
Lieber-Flarsheim  
Life Science Tennessee  
Life Science Washington  
Life Sciences Pennsylvania  
Life Sync  
LightScalpel LLC  
Lightstone Ventures  
Linden Capital Partners  
LivaNova USA  
Longitude Capital  
Longwell & Associates  
LOREM CYTORI USA, INC.  
Lungpacer Medical, Inc.  
Lupus and Allied Diseases Association, Inc.  
Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc.  
Lynn Medical Instrument Co.  
M3dicine Holdings  
M3dicine, Inc.

Maetrics LLC  
Magick.ai  
Magstim Group  
Majelco Medical, Inc.  
MANTA Product Development, Inc.  
Masimo Corporation  
Massachusetts Medical Device Industry  
Council (MassMEDIC)  
MatrixCare  
MC3 Cardiopulmonary  
Med-Sonics Corp.  
Medacta USA  
MedAcuity  
Medeonbio, Inc.  
Medical Alley Association  
Medical Device Manufacturers Association  
(MDMA)  
Medical Engineering Innovations, Inc.  
Medical Imaging & Technology Alliance  
(MITA)  
Medical Marcom  
MedImage, Inc.  
MedTech Association  
Medtronic  
Mercury Medical  
Merit Medical  
Metro Atlanta Chamber  
Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of  
Commerce  
MichBio  
Michigan Chamber of Commerce  
Michigan Manufacturers Association  
MicroOptx, Inc.  
MicroTransponder, Inc.  
Millenium Surgical Corp  
Minerva Surgical  
Mission Surgical Innovations  
Modulim  
Monteris Medical  
Moximed, Inc.  
MVRx, Inc.  
Myriad Genetics, Inc.  
NAMSA, Inc.  
Nanowear, Inc.  
Nasiff Associates, Inc.

National Association for Manufacturers  
(NAM)  
National Association for the Support of  
Long Term Care (NASL)  
National Certification Commission for  
Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine  
(NCCAOM)  
National Venture Capital Association  
NATUS Medical, Inc.  
NC Chamber  
NDH Medical, Inc.  
NE Healthcare Executive Network  
Nelson Laboratories LLC  
NeoChord, Inc.  
NeoGraft  
Neuronetics, Inc.  
Neuropace, Inc.  
NeuroTronik, Inc.  
NeuroWave Systems Inc.  
Nevro Corp.  
New Enterprise Associates  
NexEos Diagnostics  
NFIB  
North Carolina Biosciences Organization  
North Carolina Healthcare Association  
NorthStar Surgical  
Novocure, Inc.  
NuSmile, Ltd.  
NuVasive, Inc.  
Nuvectra  
Nuvimedix LLC  
Nye Lubricants, Inc.  
OBP Medical  
OCTANe  
Olympus Corporation of the Americas  
Omega Plastics, Inc.  
On-X Technologies, Inc.  
Onkos Surgical, Inc.  
OnPoint Surgical, Inc.  
onQ Management Consulting LLC  
Optiscan Biomedical  
OraSure Technologies, Inc.  
Orbital Research, Inc.  
Orchid Orthopedic Solutions

Oregon Bioscience Association  
Oregon Podiatric Medical Association  
(OPMA)  
Organogenesis, Inc.  
Organovo, Inc.  
OrthAlign, Inc.  
Orthofix Medical Inc.  
OrthogenRx  
OrthoPediatrics Corp.  
OrtoWay LLC  
Oska, Inc.  
OsteoMed  
OtoNexus Medical Technologies  
Outset Medical  
Pacific Bridge Medical  
Pacira BioSciences  
Pad Printing Technology Group, Inc.  
Palette Life Sciences  
Palo Alto Health Sciences, Inc.  
Palo Alto Medtech Advisors  
PALTOWN Development Fund  
Perdix Software, Inc.  
Personalis  
Philips North America  
Phlebotics, Inc.  
PhotoniCare, Inc.  
Photopharmics, Inc.  
Physcient, Inc.  
Physicians Group of New Ulm  
Pinellas County Economic Development  
Polymer Conversions, Inc.  
PreCardia, Inc.  
Preceptis Medical, Inc.  
Prescient Surgical  
Prevencio  
Pristine Surgical  
PROCEPT BioRobotics  
Prodigy Search Group  
Propeller Health  
PROVIDIEN LLC  
Pulmonx Corporation  
Pulsed Harmonix  
QIAGEN  
Qool Therapeutics

Quidel Corporation  
Radiology Business Management  
Association (RBMA)  
Raland Compliance Partners  
Raydiant Oximetry, Inc.  
ReCor Medical, Inc.  
Regenesis Biomedical, Inc.  
Relievent Medsystems, Inc.  
Research!America  
ResMed  
Respicardia, Inc.  
Respirix, Inc.  
RetireSafe  
RevMedx, Inc.  
ReWalk Robotics, Inc.  
RFPi, Inc.  
Rheonix, Inc.  
RhinoSystems  
Right Scan Right Time  
Roche Diagnostics Corporation  
Rodo Medical, Inc.  
Round Valley Holdings LLC  
Roundtable Healthcare Partners  
ROX Medical, Inc.  
RTM Vital Signs LLC  
Sacramed  
SafeBVM Corp.  
Sage Product Development, Inc.  
Sakura Finetek USA, Inc.  
Sandstone Diagnostics, Inc.  
SciCan Ltd.  
Scion NeuroStim LLC  
SDRS LLC  
Seattle Chamber of Commerce  
Second Sight Medical Products  
Securisyn Medical  
Senseonics, Inc.  
SetPoint Medical  
Shinemound Enterprise, Inc.  
Shockwave Medical, Inc.  
SI-BONE  
Siemens Healthineers  
Siesta Medical, Inc.  
Signus Medical LLC  
Silikon Technologies  
Silk Road Medical

Simplify Medical  
SINTX Technologies  
Skytron  
Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council  
Smiths Medical  
Solace Therapeutics  
Soletics LLC  
Solsys Medical  
Southeastern Medical Device Association  
(SEMDA)  
Southern California Biomedical Council  
(SoCalBio)  
Spect, Inc.  
SpectraScience, Inc.  
Spectrum Biomedics  
Spiration, Inc.  
SPR Therapeutics, Inc.  
St. Teresa Medical, Inc.  
STERIS  
Stimwave Technologies, Inc.  
Strategic Health Investment Partners  
Stryker Corporation  
STS Biomedical Consulting  
Subiomed, Inc.  
Surmodics, Inc.  
Sutter Hill Ventures  
SV Health Investors  
Svelte Medical Systems  
Swan Valley Medical  
Switchback Medical  
Sylvan Fiberoptics  
Synecor LLC  
Syntermed  
T3 Advisors  
Tactile Systems Technology, Inc.  
Talon Surgical  
TAMM Net, Inc.  
Tandem Diabetes Care, Inc.  
Taproot Medical Technologies  
Technicuff Corp.  
Teleflex  
Teratech Corporation  
Terumo Cardiovascular Group  
The AIDS Institute  
The American Association of Orthopaedic  
Surgeons

The American Osteopathic Academy of  
Orthopedics  
The Chamber of Commerce for Greater  
Philadelphia  
The Children's Clinic of Pensacola  
The Foundry LLC  
The Gulf Fiberoptics Group  
The Healthcare Nutrition Council (HNC)  
The Indiana Chamber of Commerce  
The Medical Devices Group  
The National Grange  
The Orthopaedic Implant Company (OIC)  
The Pinea Group LLC  
The Vertical Group  
The Wyoming Epilepsy Association  
Thermo Fisher Scientific  
ThermopeutiX, Inc.  
Thomas Regulatory Resolutions, Inc.  
Thunder Biotech, Inc.  
TIDI Products  
TIVIC Health Systems, Inc.  
TJC Consulting  
Trans I  
TransMedics  
Trillium Engineering LLC  
Tryton Medical, Inc.  
Tusker Medical, Inc.  
Tyber Medical LLC  
U.S. Chamber of Commerce  
United Imaging Healthcare  
United Spinal Association  
Urologix LLC  
USGI Medical, Inc.  
Utah Manufacturers Association  
Utah Taxpayers Association  
Valeritas, Inc.  
Vapotherm, Inc.  
Varex Imaging Corporation  
Varian Medical Systems  
Vasotorq, Inc.  
VectraCor, Inc.  
Velano Vascular, Inc.  
Venclose  
Vensana Capital  
VentriFlo, Inc.



Verrix LLC  
Vertos Medical, Inc.  
Vesiflo  
Vesper Medical  
VIDA Diagnostics, Inc.  
ViewRay, Inc.  
Virginia Biotechnology Association  
(VABio)  
Viscardia, Inc.  
Vital USA, Inc.  
Vomaris Innovations  
VQ Orthocare  
Vytronus, Inc.  
W. L. Gore & Associates  
Water Street Health Partners  
Wenzel Spine  
Winston-Salem Business, Inc.  
Winston-Salem Chamber of Commerce  
Xidas, Inc.  
Zenflow, Inc.  
ZEPHYRx LLC  
ZERO - The End of Prostate Cancer  
Zimmer Biomet  
ZOLL Medical Corporation