Dear APAP Members and Friends,

Yesterday, the House Rules Committee green-lighted an amendment sponsored by Rep. Glenn Grothman (R-WI). His amendment would cut funding to the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) by $23 million each - a 15% cut to each agency.

For that reason, we're sharing this message from our partners at Americans for the Arts who are asking you to take two minutes to take action now to call on your Member of Congress to reject this amendment. They need to hear from you about why the arts are vital to your community and our country!

The good news is that the House and Senate proposals, which would instead increase funding for the NEA and NEH, are strongly supported on a bipartisan basis. In fact, record numbers of members signed letters earlier this year calling for a minimum of $155 million for each agency, which is met in the House and Senate bills. Now, House members will be held to account with this upcoming floor vote this week.

Last year, your emails, phone calls, and interactions with policy makers helped save the NEA. Your immediate action is needed now and makes a difference!

APAP is working together with our industry advocacy partners to provide you this information and will continue to keep you informed. We encourage you to share this message.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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