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Washington, DC 20004

Dear Members of the United States Senate,

The American Conservative Union (ACU) is writing today to urge you to vote against the confirmation of Neera Tanden to be the next Director of the Office of Management and Budget. It is abundantly clear that Ms. Tanden is a radical left-wing ideologue, far outside the mainstream, and wholly unqualified to be leading the single most powerful agency in the entire Executive Branch.

The Office of Management and Budget must have leadership that reflects the priorities of all Americans, not just one segment of the country. Ms. Tanden has made it clear throughout her political career that she would work towards ushering in excessive government spending, expanding government healthcare, greater interference in the private sector, increasing taxes and regulations on Americans, and reducing protections for the unborn.

As head of the Center for American Progress, Ms. Tanden described the organization as the “central hub for Trump resistance,” actively working to promote expanded government overreach and interference into the American economy and taxpayers’ wallets. She has also come out in support of universal healthcare, taxpayer-funded abortions, and cuts to our defense budget. Ms. Tanden would also roll back many of the Trump Administration’s critical trade victories, giving China a renewed advantage over our businesses and national security. ACU is extremely concerned about her support for these policies, and believes that her confirmation as Director of the Office of Management and Budget should be opposed.

The Biden-Harris Administration has already signaled their intentions to move full-steam ahead on proposals identical or similar to H.R. 1, the Green New Deal, and Medicare for All. There is no doubt that Ms. Tanden intends to use her role as the head of OMB to see that as many of these disastrous “proposals” become the law of the land. But, it is clear that whatever policy priorities are too radical to gain support in Congress, Ms. Tanden will use OMB to drive a radical agenda through the administrative process. This approach ignores the will of the people, exceeds the authority granted to the Executive Branch under the U.S. Constitution, and wreaks havoc on our democracy. It is up to the Senate to make sure that they work to stop those radical policies from moving forward. Opposing the nomination of Ms. Tanden is a good start.

ACU urges you to vote NO on the nomination of Neera Tanden to be the Director of Office of Management and Budget. Our Foundation will score against this nomination, as the ACU Foundation has scored other nominations in the past.

Sincerely,

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