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Key Vote "YES"  
On

**Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (HR 83)**

December 10, 2014

Dear Senator:

On behalf of the American Apparel & Footwear Association (AAFA) -- the national trade association of the apparel and footwear industries, and their suppliers -- I am writing to express strong support for the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act of 2015 (HR 83).

**AAFA has key voted Senate approval of this bill as YES vote.**

Avoiding a government shutdown and keeping the government funded through the current Fiscal Year 2015 is essential to the apparel and footwear industry. Please vote yes on this important measure to keep the government open and functioning.

Last year's shutdown, for example, depressed sales of clothing and footwear as consumers delayed or decided against making purchases. Lower sales, in turn, depress tax revenues, decrease incomes, and lead to job losses.

As our economy continues to emerge from a fragile recovery, we cannot afford the uncertainty and disruption of another shutdown.

**Therefore, I urge you to vote YES on the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (HR 83).**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Juanita D. Duggan'.

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