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Please co-sponsor H.R. 5478, a **bi-partisan bill that affects your constituents** introduced by Rep Danny Davis (D-IL) and Paul Gosar (R-AZ). It will 1) restore the **once-great US patent system** to ensure that American innovation is protected; 2) protect **US Inventors** who you represent; 3) shield **Business Owners** with new ideas in your district from theft by large corporations (domestic and foreign); 4) protect **Investors** who invest in US companies in your district; 5) secure the futures of **employees and their families** working for small US companies; and 6) encourage **young future inventors** by fixing the broken US patent system so that their inventions are protected here.

FACTS:

Background: The **American Invents Act** was passed to stop something called a 'Patent Troll' from attacking large wealthy multinational corporations for patent infringement. This law created a new agency called **PTAB** (Patent Trial and Appeals Board). What happened next has been a **nightmare** for not only small US inventors (your constituents) who are NOT patent trolls, but the United States Patent System itself! Large multinational corporations, who could now be described as **Patent Pirates**, are gaming the system and using PTAB to eliminate the patents of small US inventors so they can willfully infringe and get away with it. The result is crushing small inventors along with their hopes and dreams. Many of these inventors bet it all on the US patent system. They started companies going deeply in debt with friends, family and investors to pursue their dreams. They fought to bring new and exciting innovations to the market, hired employees, built products, and brought them to market only to be knocked off by some huge multinational corporation. Now, after receiving a US patent, many US inventors in your district find they must defend the same patent rights already awarded by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. With court costs that exceed a half million dollars or more, these inventors must take even more debt to fight the infringers. Worse, the trial is often stacked with government employees who are called judges that have worked for the infringer. Only after spending a half million in a PTAB trial can the inventor take the multinational infringer on in an Article III Court with a jury and due process.

- The US has now fallen from #1 in the world to #20 tied with Hungary. Many investors in Silicon Valley, Boulder, and outside this country now feel that US patents are a joke and will only invest in companies that have patents filed in Germany and China. The result is that fewer of **your constituents** can start companies, hire employees, generate revenue and tax dollars in your district. **Investors will send their money outside your district to countries that protect their inventors.**
- Studies have shown that IP protection can help companies **generate thousands of jobs** in your district.
- **PTAB eliminates up to 85% of US patents they review. Alarming! Imagine getting a patent**, and then have the SAME US department who awarded you the patent (USPTO) tell you they made a mistake years later and after you bet it all on the patent! Thousands of US patents, investment and dreams have been eliminated in the past 7 years!
- The administration is trying to protect US IP from theft by China, but ignores theft by US multinational corporations. When our own USPTO's PTAB office eliminates up to 80% or more of US inventor patented inventions, **multinational corporations in the US, China and other countries are given a green light to steal US inventors' ideas!**
- **PLEASE HELP Business owners, Inventors and Investors in your district who are asking you to please Co-Sign and sponsor this bi-partisan bill HR 5478.** Many US inventors have already seen their patents and dreams dashed by PTAB. Please stop this for future US inventors and to protect US innovation – not only in your district - but for the United States of America and for all our young future US inventors who still dream and believe a US patent and US innovation means something [Visit USInventor.org](http://USInventor.org) for more information. **This bi-partisan fair bill simply states that 'original inventors' (who are obviously not patent trolls or NPEs) can defend their patents in a normal patent litigation trial and not in a PTAB trial. And that inventors with patents would be entitled to a typical normal patent trial which includes a jury which has been done for years. That's all we are asking. Can you help?**