October 30, 2020

Representative Ami Bera, MD
U.S. House of Representatives

Representative Larry Bucshon, MD
U.S. House of Representatives

Representative Brendan Boyle
U.S. House of Representatives

Representative George Holding
U.S. House of Representatives

Representative Raul Ruiz, MD
U.S. House of Representatives

Representative Phil Roe, MD
U.S. House of Representatives

Representative Abby Finkenauer
U.S. House of Representatives

Representative Roger Marshall, MD
U.S. House of Representatives

Dear Representatives Bera, Bucshon, Boyle, Holding, Ruiz, Roe, Finkenauer, Marshall:

On behalf of the more than 82,000 members of the American College of Surgeons (ACS), I would like to express our support for the *Holding Providers Harmless From Medicare Cuts During COVID-19 Act of 2020*. This bipartisan legislation would provide critical relief to surgeons who are expecting payment cuts beginning January 1, 2021. Without this urgent action, these cuts will have devastating impacts on both Medicare patients and surgeons who are already struggling to keep their practices afloat.

The ACS strongly supports the *Holding Providers Harmless From Medicare Cuts During COVID-19 Act of 2020* and thanks you for your leadership on this important issue. We look forward to working together toward enactment of this crucial legislation.

Sincerely,

David B. Hoyt, MD, FACS
Executive Director