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Sen. Ted Cruz
Sen. Josh Hawley
Sen. Tom Cotton
Sen. John Kennedy
Sen. Thom Tillis
Sen. Marsha Blackburn
Republican Members of the U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary

Dear Senators,

We write today to urge the U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary to hold a markup meeting, pass bipartisan antitrust reforms, and take other crucial steps to break up trillion-dollar Big Tech monopolists Google, Amazon, Facebook, and Apple's illegal stranglehold over online information and commerce.

For years, these four monopolists have manipulated elections, COVID guidance, and the news—all without repercussions or checks. Worse, they do China's bidding. Big Tech is our new Leviathan, and these anti-free-market pariahs have failed to play by the rules for far too long.

Free markets require functioning markets. When trillion-dollar Big Tech monopolists use their market power to crush competition, shutter small businesses, and cancel conservatives, we no longer have functioning—and thus, free—online markets. This is why Congress must act now.

Specifically, we request committee votes on the following bills:

- Advertising Middlemen Endangering Rigorous Internet Competition Accountability (AMERICA) Act (S.1073)
- Open Apps Market Act
- American Innovation and Choice Online Act (S.2033)

The time has come for Congress to pass meaningful legislation to end Big Tech's monopoly powers. We strongly encourage the immediate passage of these three bills, most of which previously passed through the committee in the 117th Congress. We also applaud Senators Lee and Blackburn for their leadership on these issues.

Conservatives must support these bills. It's long past time to stop complaining about Big Tech's abuses. Congress must start to rein in Big Tech's monopoly power through market-based reforms and competition.

We offer our support to hold a markup hearing, pass these bills out of committee, and bring them to the floor of the Senate. It is our hope that these bills will join the Kids Online Safety Act (S. 1409) among the bills passed by this committee and sent to the Senate floor for passage.

As leaders in Congress on competition, consumer policy, and antitrust law, we know you understand the importance of ensuring there is a level playing field.

America has a Big Tech problem. These bills would apply much-needed antitrust scrutiny to trillion-dollar enterprises that have ducked the law for too long.

Under Speaker Johnson, conservatives have a rare window of opportunity to rein in Big Tech.

Thank you for your urgent attention to this matter.

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