

LET THEM WORK (from small business owner) remove this title

The Honorable [Senator's / Representative's Name]
[Office Address or "U.S. Senate / U.S. House of Representatives"]
[City, State ZIP]

Dear [Senator/Representative] [Last Name],

As a **small business owner in [City, State]**, I am writing to express my strong support for the **"Let Them Work" initiative**, which calls for faster and fairer access to **employment authorization (work permits)** for Ukrainian parolees and other newcomers who have legally arrived in the United States under humanitarian programs.

Our business community is facing a serious **labor shortage**, and at the same time, thousands of qualified, motivated newcomers are eager to work, support their families, and contribute to our economy — but they are waiting many months for their work permits to be processed.

In our company, we have met several individuals who arrived through **Uniting for Ukraine (U4U)** and similar programs. They are honest, hardworking people who simply need the ability to work legally, pay taxes, and rebuild their lives here. Allowing them to start working sooner would not only strengthen families but also **help small businesses** like ours that depend on reliable workers.

We join this letter **in partnership with "Heartbeat with AP" nonprofit organization** and with **leaders from multiple U.S. states** who support this advocacy effort and the broader humanitarian case for Ukrainians. Together, we believe this initiative will strengthen both local communities and the national economy.

I respectfully urge you and your colleagues in Congress to:

- Support administrative and legislative measures to **accelerate Employment Authorization Document (EAD) approvals** for humanitarian parolees;
- Consider **temporary automatic work authorization extensions** for those awaiting renewal;
- Recognize the critical role these newcomers play in our **local economies** and communities.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue and for your continued leadership in supporting both small businesses and humanitarian efforts in our state.

Sincerely,
[Your Name]
[Title / Position, e.g., Owner or Manager]
[Business Name]
[Business Address]
[City, State ZIP]
[Email / Phone]

Date: [Insert Date]