July 28, 2020

The Honorable Danny K. Davis  
Chairman, Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support, Ways and Means Committee  
2159 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable John B. Larson  
Chairman, Social Security Subcommittee, Ways and Means Committee  
1501 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Davis and Chairman Larson:

On behalf of the nearly 65 million Social Security beneficiaries and the millions more who receive Supplemental Security Income, Social Security Works strongly endorses The Fairness for Seniors and People with Disabilities During COVID-19 Act. The bill ensures that those receiving Social Security and SSI will not, during this perilous time, see their benefits reduced through no fault of their own.

Receiving an official notice that you may owe the government money is stressful in the best of times. It is especially burdensome in the middle of a life-threatening global pandemic. In light of the Social Security Administration’s arbitrary decision to restart examinations and actions in the event of possible overpayments caused by agency error, through no fault of beneficiaries, your legislation is urgently needed.

Thank you for your effort to protect the American people. We look forward to working with you to see that this important measure enacted as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

Nancy J. Altman  
President

Alex Lawson  
Executive Director