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The Honorable Mark Green
Chairman, House Committee on Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Bennie Thompson
Ranking Member, House Committee on Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rand Paul
Chairman, Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Gary Peters
Ranking Member, Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairmen Green and Paul, and Ranking Members Thompson and Peters,

On behalf of the Hacking Policy Council (HPC), we strongly urge Congress to reauthorize the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015 (CISA 2015) before its expiration on September 30, 2025. As a coalition of leading security companies, researchers, and technology policy experts, HPC represents a critical segment of the cybersecurity community dedicated to strengthening national defenses. HPC is dedicated to creating a more favorable legal, policy, and business environment for vulnerability management and disclosure, offensive security, good faith security research, penetration testing, bug bounty programs, and independent repair for security.

Since its enactment, CISA 2015 has provided legal protections that facilitate the voluntary sharing of cyber threat indicators both between members of the private sector and between the private sector and the federal government. This sharing has enabled rapid dissemination of actionable threat intelligence to protect networks before an incident occurs, more coordinated responses to cyber incidents; and improved situational awareness across multiple sectors.

One of the key strengths of CISA 2015 lies in its clear statutory definitions of critical terms such as “cyber threat indicators,” “defensive measures,” and “cybersecurity purposes.” These definitions carefully focus on security-related information and include important activities such as the disclosure of security vulnerabilities and exploits. For our members, these legal safeguards provide the confidence necessary to share sensitive information promptly – without fear of legal repercussions or ambiguity about their actions.

Allowing CISA 2015 to lapse would jeopardize over a decade of progress in enhancing our collective cybersecurity posture. Without such legal protections, companies may hesitate to report vulnerabilities, leaving private sector and government networks exposed to exploitation.

At a time when cyber adversaries are accelerating their operations and rapidly exploiting vulnerabilities, we cannot afford to lose the proven framework that underpins public-private sector collaboration. Reauthorizing CISA 2015 is critical to sustaining and enhancing our nation's cybersecurity resilience.

HPC stands ready to assist Congress in this effort and looks forward to collaborating to continue protecting our nation.

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