February 2, 2016

The Honorable Paul Ryan  
Speaker of the House  
1233 Longworth HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy  
Majority Leader  
2421 Rayburn HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Ryan and Leader McCarthy,

We are writing to you on behalf of the millions of hunter and angler conservationists we represent to strongly urge you to schedule floor time for the consideration of the Sportsmen’s Heritage and Recreational Enhancement Act, known as the SHARE Act (H.R. 2406).

The SHARE Act, introduced by Congressional Sportsmen’s Caucus (CSC) leaders Congressmen Rob Wittman, Tim Walz, Jeff Duncan, and Gene Green, includes 33 additional bipartisan cosponsors. H.R. 2406 has 15 important provisions, including: the Recreational Fishing and Hunting Heritage Opportunities Act; the Hunting, Fishing, and Recreational Shooting Protection Act; Target Practice and Marksmanship Training Support Act; the Farmer and Hunter Protection Act; the permanent creation of the Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council Advisory Committee; and the Preserving Public Access to Public Water Act, among others.

Similar legislation passed the House with bipartisan support during the 113th Congress, but unfortunately fell victim to procedural gridlock in the Senate. By allowing consideration of H.R. 2406 on the House floor in this Congress, we are a step closer to ensuring the interests of millions of hunters, anglers, and recreational shooters are protected and advanced now and in the future.

We appreciate your consideration and stand ready to assist in any way we can.

Sincerely,

American Sportfishing Association
Archery Trade Association
Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies
B.A.S.S.
Bear Trust International
Berkley Conservation Institute
BoatU.S.
Boone and Crockett Club
Camp Fire Club of America
Catch-A-Dream Foundation
Center for Coastal Conservation
Coastal Conservation Association
Congressional Sportsmen’s Foundation
Conservation Force
Council to Advance Hunting and the Shooting Sports
Dallas Safari Club
Delta Waterfowl Foundation
Ducks Unlimited
Houston Safari Club
International Game Fish Association
International Hunter Education Association – USA
Izaak Walton League of America
Masters of Foxhounds Association
Mule Deer Foundation
National Association of Forest Service Retirees
National Marine Manufacturers Association
National Rifle Association
National Shooting Sports Foundation
National Trappers Association
National Wild Turkey Federation
North American Grouse Partnership
Orion – The Hunter’s Institute
Pheasants Forever
Pope and Young Club
Professional Outfitters and Guides of America
Quail Forever
Quality Deer Management Association
Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation
Ruffed Grouse Society
Safari Club International
Shikar Safari Club International
Shimano American Corporation
Sportsmen’s Alliance
Texas Wildlife Association
Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership
Tread Lightly!
Whitetails Unlimited
Wild Sheep Foundation
Wildlife Forever
Wildlife Management Institute
Wildlife Mississippi