

May 5, 2014

The Honorable Maria Cantwell
Chair
Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chair:

In recognition of the contributions and accomplishments of America's entrepreneurs, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) will celebrate the 51st Annual National Small Business Week from May 12 through May 16, 2014.

At SBA, we are committed to ensuring that our capital, counseling, contracting, and disaster assistance programs are inclusive and reach small business owners throughout the country. In order to continue to build awareness of our resources across the U.S., this year's National Small Business Week events will take place in San Francisco, Kansas City, and Boston.

In addition to these events, we will also hold various sessions in Washington, DC on Thursday, May 15, and Friday, May 16; this includes the announcement of the 2014 National Small Business Person of the Year. For a complete list of activities, please visit www.sba.gov/smallbusinessweek. If you would like to attend any of these events, please contact Nicholas Coutsos, Associate Administrator for Congressional & Legislative Affairs, at (202) 205-6335 or nicholas.coutsos@sba.gov.

Thank you for your leadership and ongoing support of America's small businesses.

Warmest regards,

Maria Contreras-Sweet
Administrator