

April 13, 2023

The Honorable Robert Aderholt
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
Labor, HHS, Education Appropriations
Subcommittee
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
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**Support the Health and Safety of Workers Nationwide with Recommended FY 2024
Funding of OSHA at \$738.7 Million and NIOSH at \$375.3 Million**

Dear Chairman Aderholt and Ranking Member DeLauro:

As we still realize the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, we know the vital role of occupational safety and health to the well-

NIOSH funding supports many important programs, including AgFF, ERCs, and TWH. The agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting industry preventable fatality rate is six times that of the all-industry average.³ In 2021, over 17,100 workers in this sector were injured seriously enough to require time away from work. In addition, 453 workers died.⁴ Furthermore, due to its decentralized nature and diverse structure, the agriculture, forestry, and fishing sector lags other industries in reducing the toll of work