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Dear Murphy,

Although I do agree that there could be an improvement in the way some big companies are run, making changes to the shareholder proxy access rules are not the improvements that our country needs right now. Allowing government to be further involved in the affairs of private business will do nothing to mend the financial state of our economy. If those talked about changes were to take place, we would see special interest groups waitz into private businesses with their own agendas and little concern for the welfare of the company's success. This would cause even more damage to our economy because these businesses would be held back and unable to thrive.

While this rule does sound nice and seems to take away power from the greedy, it has hidden agendas. I have owned a bar and grill for five years, and depend on bigger companies for my supplies. If these companies were to go under, my business would suffer greatly. In order for us small business owners to protect our businesses, we must take a stand against all this government interference. We certainly do not want to witness the disaster that we had with the auto industry all over again.

People losing jobs and the economy suffering even more is, of course, not appealing. We must stop the direction of socialism that we are headed towards. Although I truly feel my hands are tied, and the government will do as they please, speaking out and exercising my democratic right to voice my opinion is something no one can take away. We need strong businesses, because American industries are the backbone and survival of our country.

Best regards,

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