February 24, 2021

The Honorable Robert P. Casey, Jr.  
United States Senate  
393 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Jerry Moran  
United States Senate  
521 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senators Casey and Moran:

AARP, on behalf of our 38 million members and all older Americans nationwide, is writing to thank you for reintroducing the Stop Senior Scams Act. AARP appreciates your commitment to establish a Senior Scams Prevention Advisory Council that would collect and publish educational materials and information on model programs that may be used by retailers, financial services, and wire-transfer companies as a guide to prevent scams that target senior citizens.

AARP has a long history of fighting for protections for older Americans and has been on the forefront of advocacy in support of federal and state laws and regulations that prevent financial exploitation and scams targeting seniors. Through the AARP Fraud Watch Network, we empower consumers to protect themselves, their families, and their communities from fraud and scams, and provide tips to spot and avoid scams like identity theft, investment fraud, and holiday scams.

Scammers steal billions of dollars from unsuspecting consumers every year. The effect on victims and their families can be financially and emotionally devastating, especially for older Americans. That is why AARP is pleased to endorse your bill, and we call on Congress to swiftly pass this legislation to protect older Americans from fraud.

Thank you again for your steadfast leadership and commitment to protecting seniors from financial exploitation. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me or Dawit Kahsai at dkahsai@aarp.org.

Sincerely,

Bill Sweeney  
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