

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

August 10, 2026

The Honorable Mike Johnson
Speaker of the House
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Speaker Johnson,

The United States House of Representatives should immediately schedule open hearings with the CEOs of America's largest Artificial Intelligence (AI) companies. We urge you to work with the committees of jurisdiction to accomplish this without delay.

Advanced AI models pose a clear risk to the safety and security of the American people. In recent weeks, both OpenAI and Anthropic have announced that their test models have hacked other organizations. In the case of OpenAI, a model that was meant to be tested without access to the internet exploited a previously unknown security vulnerability to reportedly escape its test environment, roam the internet without detection for days, and carry out a sophisticated cyberattack on another company. In the case of Anthropic, three separate incidents occurred where models left the testing environment to hack another entity. Anthropic failed to detect these attacks for months.

These incidents have serious implications for Americans' safety and security. They are serious in and of themselves, and they may be the canary in the coal mine warning of much more serious problems if these models continue to advance without regulation. From hospitals to banks, institutions that Americans count on could be quickly jeopardized by this sort of instability. The American people deserve clear answers about the causes of these incidents, what failures or potential negligence at the companies led to them, and the types of regulation required to make sure they never happen again. Congress must act before such an incident leads to a much larger catastrophe.

At the same time, Artificial Intelligence threatens to displace millions of American workers. AI CEOs have predicted their technology could lead to levels of unemployment we have not seen since the great depression, and companies have already begun laying off workers citing adoption of AI.

Unfortunately, Congress has so far completely failed to respond to the threats posed by AI development. That must change. The CEOs of the largest AI companies should answer questions under oath, and Americans should have a chance to hear from independent experts on the dangers posed by this technology.

We urge you to work with the committees of jurisdiction to schedule hearings immediately.

Sincerely,



Greg Casar
Member of Congress



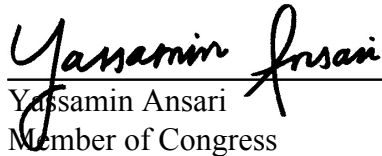
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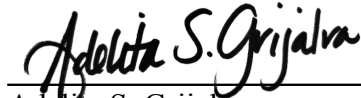
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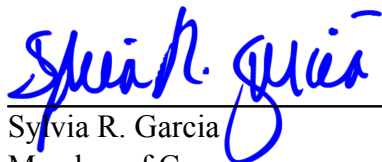
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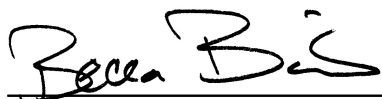
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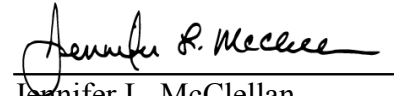
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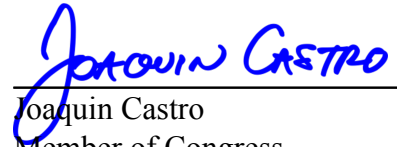
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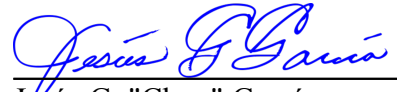
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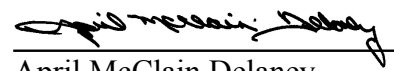
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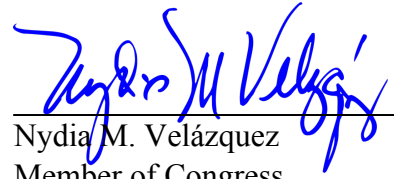
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