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## **Press Statement**

## Ukraine Advocates Welcome Speaker Johnson's Decision to Bring Ukraine Aid to a Vote

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Razom for Ukraine, a U.S. non-profit providing medical and humanitarian aid to Ukraine and the top advocate for continued U.S. assistance to Ukraine, released the following statement on House Speaker Mike Johnson's decision to put Ukraine aid to a vote. The statement is attributable to Mykola Murskyj, Director of Advocacy at Razom.

"Speaker Johnson will finally allow meaningful legislation on Ukraine assistance to come to the House Floor for a vote. We are working to understand the details of Speaker Johnson's plan, but this is Johnson's last chance to be part of the solution.

"Any plan to pass supplemental aid must enable the U.S. to immediately deliver military assistance to Ukraine. Any new loan component cannot undermine existing mechanisms such as Presidential Drawdown Authority, the main tool used by the U.S. to rapidly send military aid to Ukraine. There are no excuses for delays.

"Razom urges all Members of Congress to pass a serious assistance package for Ukraine this week. The cost of any further delay will be measured in dead civilians.

"If Speaker Johnson's plan is a good-faith effort to get Ukraine meaningful support, it will earn Razom's endorsement. If not, the House is ready to advance a discharge petition and Razom stands ready to hand each Member a pen to sign it with."

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