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To whom it may concern,

I am a small business owner/freelancer based in Portland working in the film/video production industry. I, and most of my colleagues, have lost significant work this month since shoots have been cancelled due to Coronavirus. We already live paycheck-to-paycheck (or rather "paid invoice to paid invoice").

This industry in the Pacific Northwest is very seasonal. We work very hard during the spring and summer, and squirrel away money to keep us afloat during the Winter when the film production schedule slows to a trickle. We count on March being the month when the film production schedule begins to pick up. This means that we don't have a reserve to live off of because we JUST used up that reserve to survive the winter, and now we're in dire straits.

Please keep us -- freelancers and small business owners, in the film industry and other creative industries -- in mind when putting together your Coronavirus relief plans.

We are in need of:

- rent/mortgage freezes
- financial assistance to help cover lost work

Thank you,

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