## Example Letter or Email to Send to Request a Meeting

The Honorable (*Member's First and Last Name*) U.S. House of Representatives or U.S. Senate Mailing Address (*from their website, or putting in your zip code on <u>this site for House</u> and <u>this site for</u> <u>Senate</u>)* 

Dear (Representative or Senator and their Last Name),

I am writing to request a meeting with you when you are home in your district/state (district for House, state for Senate) to discuss the impact of angel investors on startup companies in (city or state) and what angel investors mean for our nation's economy. I am an angel investor and also belong to (name of angel group or platform) and we invest in and mentor new companies, mostly in this community. Angel investors are the first investors in startups, after friends and family, and before Venture Capitalists. It is estimated that angels invest about \$25 billion in about 70,000 high growth new businesses every year.

We would be happy to host a meeting at your convenience with a number of angel investors and some of the entrepreneurs we have invested in. (*Name of angel organization*) also holds our meeting to hear investment pitches by startups (*on date and time, or for example, every third Wednesday at noon*) and we welcome you and your staff to join us for any part of our meeting that fits your schedule. Either type of meeting would be a great time to have a dialog with your constituents and hear about some really interesting companies that are creating jobs and innovation.

I believe it is very important for American public policy to ensure the best possible environment for entrepreneurs to access capital and for angel investors to provide both capital and expertise to these growing companies.

Thanks for your consideration of our meeting request. You or your staff can reach me at (your phone number and email address) to follow up.

Sincerely,

<u>X</u>