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**WSWA PRAISES THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION AND URGES CONGRESS TO PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY AS THE NATION CHARTS A COURSE OUT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

**WASHINGTON, D.C., 01/18/2021** – Today, Wine & Spirits Wholesalers of America released the following statement in response to President Elect Biden’s COVID-19 Relief Plan:

*“WSWA praises the incoming Biden Administration for recognizing the continued threat to the American economy posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. Congress took an important first step toward recovery when they restored the full deduction for business meals in December, indicating a commitment to helping the wine and spirits industry’s on-premise partners recover from unprecedented challenges in 2021.*

*We are also mindful in urging Members of Congress and the incoming Administration to pay special attention to the hospitality industry as the nation charts a course out of the pandemic. America’s restaurants, taverns, music and sporting venues, and hotels will need further relief in order to return to pre-pandemic employment levels.”*

**About Wine & Spirits Wholesalers of America**

WSWA is the national trade association representing the distribution tier of the wine and spirits industry, dedicated to advancing the interests and independence of distributors and brokers of wine and spirits. Founded in 1943, WSWA has more than 380 member companies in 50 states and the District of Columbia, and its members distribute more than 80 percent of all wine and spirits sold at wholesale in the United States.

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