

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

July 5, 2018

The Honorable Paul Ryan
Speaker
United States House of Representatives
H-232, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Ryan:

Last week, Representative Sean Patrick Maloney's office was denied reimbursement for the purchase of feminine hygiene products for the use of his staff and office visitors. We write to request that such purchases be made reimbursable immediately. Alternatively, we request that such products be made available free of charge in every bathroom under the jurisdiction of the U.S. House of Representatives.

We applaud you for making toilet paper available free of charge in every restroom in the Capitol complex under your control. Similarly, we applaud you for making paper towels available as well. We implore you, however, to go one step further and make feminine hygiene products available to those who need them. It is a simple change that can bring sanitation and relief to thousands of Congressional employees, visitors, and Members of Congress alike.

We thank you for your time spent reviewing this request, and we look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Grace Meng
Member of Congress



Sean Patrick Maloney
Member of Congress