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THE PARTNERSHIP FOR PUBLIC SERVICE APPLAUDS DEAL TO END THE 35-DAY PARTIAL GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN

WASHINGTON – Partnership for Public Service President and CEO Max Stier released the following statement regarding the deal to temporarily reopen the federal government.

“The Partnership is relieved that there will be a three-week reprieve to the shutdown madness. It is now of paramount importance that our elected officials quickly negotiate a permanent end to the shutdown, learn the lessons from this devastating impasse and take steps to prevent this from happening again in the future. It is also critical for agency leaders to re-engage their employees, seek to boost morale and help them set priorities to tackle the huge backlog of work. There has been much harm done by our political leaders and it could take months or even years to undo the damage caused by this shutdown.”

The 35-day shutdown comes on the heels of the Partnership and Boston Consulting Group’s release of 2018 Best Places to Work in the Federal Government rankings, which found that employee engagement went down at a majority of federal departments, agencies and subcomponents. The only comprehensive and real-time performance information available on our federal government, the rankings serve as a report card on the Trump administration’s handling of the federal workforce. To view this year’s rankings visit bestplacestowork.org.

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