

## Joint Business Coalition Reaffirms Opposition to Minimum Wage Push

"As respective members of New York's business community, we are proud to stand together in announcing our formal opposition to the push to increase the minimum wage. Previously, a minimum wage increase was enacted in 2013, with the final phase in from that agreement due in December 2015. The true impact on small business, our economy and workforce has not been fully examined. Any attempt to increase the minimum wage before full implementation should be rejected. We strongly urge Albany to continue the progress made in improving New York's economic competitiveness while focusing on pro-growth initiatives as budget negotiations enter this final stretch."

