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The Honorable James Inhofe Chairman Committee on Armed Services United States Senate Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Jack Reed Ranking Member Committee on Armed Services United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Inhofe and Ranking Member Reed:

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce strongly supports the nomination of Barbara Barrett to be Secretary of the U.S. Air Force.

Ms. Barrett has a distinguished record of public service as ambassador to Finland under President George W. Bush and as deputy administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration. In addition, Ms. Barrett has unique experience as an aviator and trained NASA astronaut. Ms. Barrett possesses an extraordinary depth of industry experience including having served as chair of the Aerospace Corporation.

The Chamber urges the Committee to report favorably Ms. Barrett's nomination to the full Senate.

Sincerely,

Suzanne P. Clark

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U.S. Chamber of Commerce

cc: Members of the Committee on Armed Services