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TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND
GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS:

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce supports the nomination of Neera Tanden to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Ms. Tanden is well-qualified to lead OMB and brings an established track record of engagement with the business community.

Ms. Tanden has had a distinguished career. She has served as President and CEO of the Center for American Progress think tank for the past ten years. She also served in various roles in the Clinton and Obama Administrations and in the United States Senate. Her broad perspective and experience will be essential given the vast portfolio of the Office of Management and Budget. Ms. Tanden has proven a frequent partner and collaborator, particularly on international trade issues. Her willingness to consider different perspectives will be important as she shapes the budget and policy proposals for the Biden Administration. While we may not always agree with Ms. Tanden, we anticipate that she will have an open door and an open mind as Director.

We appreciate the Committee's work on this important nomination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jack Howard", written in a cursive style.

Jack Howard