October 10, 2017

The Honorable Donald J. Trump

President of the United States

The White House

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.

Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the more than 310 undersigned state and local chambers of commerce from across the United States, we are writing in support of your efforts to modernize the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). Business leaders across the country know first-hand that trade with Canada and Mexico has created American jobs, boosted economic growth, and strengthened local economies, but we know we can do even more to seize the benefits of trade with our North American neighbors.

As our country’s top export markets, trade with Canada and Mexico supports 14 million American jobs, including tens of thousands of jobs in every single state and more than 100,000 in 35 U.S. states. Each and every day, over $3.3 billion, or $1.2 trillion annually, is traded between the U.S., Canada, and Mexico. In fact, half of all Canadian and Mexican imports are “made-in-the-USA.”

NAFTA has been especially beneficial for America’s farmers and ranchers. Agricultural exports to Canada and Mexico have quadrupled from $8.9 billion in 1993 to $38 billion in 2016, generating big benefits for rural America. In addition, Canada and Mexico are the top two markets in the world for U.S.-made manufactured goods, with purchases of nearly half a trillion dollars last year — a sum that tops the next ten largest markets combined. Our North American neighbors are also booming markets for U.S. services exports. In fact, the U.S. last year recorded a trade surplus of $11.9 billion with its NAFTA partners when manufactured goods and services are combined. Among the biggest beneficiaries of this commerce are America’s small and medium-sized businesses, 125,000 of which sell their goods and services to Mexico and Canada.

We’ve thus been pleased to see your Administration insist that we must, first, “do no harm” in the NAFTA negotiations. We agree that we should move quickly to modernize this trilateral agreement and continue working with Congress in accordance with the Bipartisan Congressional Trade Priorities and Accountability Act of 2015.

We look forward to working closely with you and your Administration to grow the economy and create jobs through free and fair trade. To help facilitate that growth, we urge you to support America’s workers, farmers, ranchers, and businesses of all sizes by protecting and preserving the deep economic ties and benefits the United States continues to enjoy under NAFTA.

Sincerely,

**Alabama**

Birmingham Business Alliance

Business Council of Alabama

Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce

Montgomery Area Chamber of Commerce

Prattville Area Chamber of Commerce

Selma and Dallas County Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Information

Shoals Chamber of Commerce

**Alaska**

Alaska State Chamber of Commerce

**Arizona**

Ambos Nogales Hispanic Chamber

Arizona Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Arizona Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

Buckeye Valley Chamber of Commerce

Chandler Chamber of Commerce

Douglas Hispanic Chamber

Gilbert Chamber of Commerce

Greater Flagstaff Chamber of Commerce

Greater Oro Valley Chamber of Commerce

Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce

Lake Havasu Area Chamber of Commerce

Marana Chamber of Commerce

Mesa Chamber of Commerce

Nogales-Santa Cruz County Chamber of Commerce

Scottsdale Area Chamber of Commerce

Sierra Vista Hispanic Chamber

Surprise Regional Chamber of Commerce

Tempe Chamber of Commerce

The Dolan Springs Chamber of Commerce

Tucson Hispanic Chamber

Tucson Metro Chamber

Wickenburg Chamber of Commerce

Yuma County Chamber of Commerce

**Arkansas**

Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce

Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce

Little Rock Regional Chamber of Commerce

**California**

Azusa Chamber of Commerce

Brea Chamber of Commerce

California Chamber of Commerce

Camarillo Chamber of Commerce

Carlsbad Chamber of Commerce

Cerritos Regional Chamber of Commerce

Chambers of Commerce Alliance of Ventura & Santa Barbara Counties

Escondido Chamber of Commerce

Fresno Chamber of Commerce

Gateway Chambers Alliance

Goleta Chamber of Commerce

Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce

Greater Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce

Greater Merced Chamber of Commerce

Greater Redding Chamber of Commerce

Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce

Hueneme Chamber of Commerce

Inglewood Airport Area Chamber Commerce

Irvine Chamber of Commerce

Lodi Chamber of Commerce

Long Beach Area Chamber of Commerce

Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce

Murrieta Chamber of Commerce

North Orange County Chamber

North San Diego Business Chamber

Ojai Valley Chamber of Commerce

Ontario Chamber of Commerce

Orange County Business Council

Otay Mesa Chamber of Commerce

Oxnard Chamber of Commerce

Palm Desert Area Chamber of Commerce

Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce

Palos Verdes Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

Pasadena Chamber of Commerce

Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce

Regional Chamber of Commerce - San Gabriel Valley

Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce

San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce

San Francisco Chamber of Commerce

San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership

Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce

Santa Paula Chamber of Commerce

Solvang Chamber of Commerce

South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce

Southwest California Legislative Council

Sunnyvale Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber of Commerce of the Santa Barbara Region

The Silicon Valley Organization

Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce

Valley Industry & Commerce Association

Vista Chamber of Commerce

Whittier Area Chamber of Commerce

**Colorado**

Aurora Chamber of Commerce

Colorado Association of Commerce & Industry

Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce

Glenwood Springs Chamber Resort Association

South Metro Denver Chamber

Westminster Chamber of Commerce

**Connecticut**

Connecticut Business & Industry Association

MetroHartford Alliance

**Delaware**

Delaware State Chamber of Commerce

**Florida**

Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce

Greater Wesley Chapel Chamber of Commerce

JAX Chamber

**Georgia**

Catoosa County Chamber of Commerce

Georgia Chamber of Commerce

Milledgeville-Baldwin County Chamber

Newnan-Coweta Chamber

Robins Regional Chamber

Savannah Area Chamber of Commerce

**Hawaii**

Chamber of Commerce Hawaii

Kauai Chamber of Commerce

**Idaho**

Boise Metro Chamber of Commerce

Caldwell Chamber of Commerce

Greater Idaho Falls Area Chamber of Commerce

**Illinois**

Aurora Regional Chamber of Commerce

Bolingbrook Area Chamber of Commerce

Chamber630

Chicagoland Chamber of commerce

Des Plaines Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce

Greater Oak Brook Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Partnership

Illinois Chamber of Commerce

McLean County Chamber of Commerce

Naperville Area Chamber of Commerce

Rolling Meadows Chamber of Commerce

Winnetka-Northfield Chamber of Commerce

Western DuPage Chamber of Commerce

Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce

**Indiana**

Indiana Chamber of Commerce

Indy Chamber

South Bend Regional Chamber

Southwest Indiana Chamber

Spencer County Regional Chamber of Commerce

**Iowa**

Ames Chamber of Commerce

Cedar Rapids Metro Economic Alliance

Clear Lake Area Chamber

Clinton Area Chamber of Commerce

Dubuque Area Chamber of Commerce

Greater Burlington Partnership

Greater Cedar Valley Alliance & Chamber

Greater Des Moines Partnership

Iowa Association of Business and Industry

Iowa Chamber Alliance

Iowa City Area Chamber of Commerce

Marshalltown Area Chamber of Commerce

Mason City Chamber of Commerce

Shelby County Chamber of Commerce & Industry

**Kansas**

Greater Topeka Chamber of Commerce

Kansas Chamber of Commerce

Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce

Overland Park Chamber of Commerce

Wichita Regional Chamber of Commerce

**Kentucky**

Commerce Lexington Inc.

Greater Louisville Inc.

Kentucky Chamber of Commerce

Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce

**Louisiana**

Bossier Chamber

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Louisiana

Jeff Davis Parish Economic Development Tourist Commission and Chamber of Commerce

Jefferson Chamber of Commerce

Louisiana Association of Business and Industry

New Orleans Chamber of Commerce

River Region Chamber of Commerce

St. Tammany West Chamber of Commerce

Chamber Southwest Louisiana

**Maine**

Maine State Chamber of Commerce

**Maryland**

Maryland Chamber of Commerce

**Massachusetts**

Associated Industries of Massachusetts

Metro South Chamber of Commerce

**Michigan**

Dearborn Area Chamber of Commerce

Detroit Regional Chamber

Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce

Great Lakes Metro Chambers Coalition

Lansing Regional Chamber

Michigan Chamber of Commerce

Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce

**Minnesota**

Brainerd Lakes Chamber of Commerce

Dakota County Regional Chamber of Commerce

International Falls Area Chamber of Commerce

Marshall Area Chamber of Commerce

MetroNorth Chamber of Commerce

Minneapolis Regional Chamber of Commerce

Minnesota Chamber of Commerce

St. Cloud Area Chamber of Commerce

TwinWest Chamber of Commerce

Willmar Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce

**Mississippi**

Choctaw County Chamber of Commerce

Covington County Chamber of Commerce

**Missouri**

Columbia Chamber of Commerce

Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce

Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry

St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce

St. Louis Regional Chamber

Greater West Plains Area Chamber of Commerce

**Montana**

Billings Chamber of Commerce

Kalispell Chamber of Commerce

Montana Chamber of Commerce

**Nebraska**

Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce

Greater Omaha Chamber

Hastings Area Chamber of Commerce

Lincoln Chamber of Commerce

Nebraska Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce

**Nevada**

Carson City Chamber of Commerce

Carson Valley Chamber of Commerce

Las Vegas Metro Chamber of Commerce

Reno-Sparks Chamber of Commerce

White Pine Chamber of Commerce

**New Hampshire**

Business and Industry Association of New Hampshire

**New Jersey**

African American Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey

Chamber of Commerce Southern New Jersey

Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce

Hudson County Chamber of Commerce

Meadowlands Regional Chamber

New Jersey Chamber of Commerce

**New Mexico**

Espanola Valley Chamber of Commerce

New Mexico Association of Commerce & Industry

**New York**

Buffalo Niagara Partnership

Business Council of New York State

North Country Chamber of Commerce

The Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce

Tompkins County Chamber of Commerce

**North Carolina**

Greater Fayetteville Chamber

North Carolina Chamber

**North Dakota**

Bismarck-Mandan Chamber of Commerce

Fargo Moorhead West Fargo Chamber of Commerce

Greater North Dakota Chamber

Jamestown Area Chamber of Commerce

Grand Forks-East Grand Forks Chamber of Commerce

**Ohio**

Columbus Chamber of Commerce

Darke County Chamber of Commerce

Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce

Lima Allen County Chamber of Commerce

Ohio Chamber of Commerce

Wyandot Chamber of Commerce

**Oklahoma**

Ardmore Chamber of Commerce

Edmond Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce

Greater Shawnee Area Chamber of Commerce

State Chamber of Oklahoma

Tulsa Regional Chamber

**Oregon**

Hillsboro Chamber

Lincoln City Chamber of Commerce

Oregon Business & Industry

Oregon State Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber of Medford/Jackson County

**Pennsylvania**

Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce

Hanover Area Chamber of Commerce

Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry

Pittsburgh Airport Area Chamber of Commerce

Schuylkill Chamber of Commerce

**Rhode Island**

Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce

**South Carolina**

Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce

Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce

Greater Lexington Chamber of Commerce

Greenville Chamber

Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce

Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce

South Carolina Chamber of Commerce

**South Dakota**

Brookings Area Chamber of Commerce

Sioux Falls Area Chamber of Commerce

South Dakota Chamber of Commerce and Industry

**Tennessee**

Johnson City Chamber of Commerce

Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce

Tennessee Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Tennessee Manufacturing Association

**Texas**

Allen Fairview Chamber of Commerce

Amarillo Chamber of Commerce

Austin Chamber of Commerce

Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce

Frisco Chamber of Commerce

Galveston Regional Chamber of Commerce

Granbury Chamber of Commerce

Greater Angleton Chamber of Commerce

Greater Houston Partnership

Greater Mission Chamber of Commerce

Greenville Chamber of Commerce

Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce

Lamesa Area Chamber of Commerce

Laredo Chamber of Commerce

Longview Chamber of Commerce

Lubbock Chamber of Commerce

McAllen Chamber of Commerce

North San Antonio Chamber of Commerce

North Texas Commission

North Texas Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Chamber of Commerce

Rio Grande Valley Partnership

San Antonio Chamber of Commerce

Sherman Chamber of Commerce

South Padre Island Chamber of Commerce

Texas Association of Business

The Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce

United Corpus Christi Chamber of Commerce

**Utah**

ChamberWest

Davis Chamber of Commerce

Salt Lake Chamber

Utah Valley Chamber of Commerce

Vernal Area Chamber of Commerce

**Vermont**

Vermont Chamber of Commerce

**Virginia**

ChamberRVA

Hampton Roads Chamber

Lynchburg Regional Business Alliance

Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce

Virginia Chamber of Commerce

**Washington**

Association of Washington Business

Bellevue Chamber of Commerce

Economic Alliance Snohomish County

Ferndale Chamber of Commerce

Greater Spokane Incorporated

Greater Yakima Chamber of Commerce

Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce

Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce

Pasco Chamber of Commerce

Pullman Chamber of Commerce

Tri-City Regional Chamber of Commerce

**West Virginia**

West Virginia Chamber of Commerce

**Wisconsin**

Eau Claire Area Chamber of Commerce

Fox Cities Chamber of Commerce

Greater Green Bay Chamber of Commerce

Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce

Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce

Sheboygan County Chamber of Commerce

Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce

**Wyoming**

Wyoming State Chamber of Commerce

CC: United States Congress