

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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President Joseph R. Biden
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Biden,

As Members of the Congressional Steel Caucus, we work to promote the health and stability of the domestic steel industry, as well as the interests of its incredible workers. American steel supports more than two million jobs and serves as the backbone of American infrastructure, national defense, and manufacturing. The role of the domestic steel industry throughout the pandemic and the subsequent supply chain instability is a true testament to its resilience in the face of adversity and its importance to the American economy.

The industry nevertheless continues to face numerous challenges, from government-supported overcapacity in global markets, to circumvention of trade measures designed to address market distortions, to supply chain risks that further threaten the erosion of the U.S. manufacturing base and geopolitical uncertainties. We applaud your Administration's efforts thus far to address these challenges. We were encouraged, for example, by USTR Tai's strong statement defending the Section 232 trade measures against the recent overreach of the WTO panels that improperly questioned the national security of the United States.

The Section 232 measures have been and remain critical to improvements in the industry's performance and should not be weakened any further. And there is much else to be done, including updating the U.S. trade remedy laws to reflect 21st century challenges and establishing rules and standards for a resilient domestic steel industry.

The American steel industry is already recognized as a global leader in sustainable steel production, and it continues to make investments in existing and new state-of-the-art facilities in the United States. However, these advancements are compromised every time a foreign government or producer seeks competitive advantage by cutting corners on sustainability. The steel industry is and must remain a vital part of everyday American life, from national defense, to transportation and logistics, to critical infrastructure. We look forward to working with the Administration to ensure that the steel industry, its innovative products, and its dedicated and highly skilled workers are an integral part of our country's low-carbon future.

We continue to support strong trade enforcement that will ensure a vibrant industry, competitive wages, and outstanding quality of life for our industry's workers. We encourage the Biden

Administration to continue to maintain the Section 232 tariffs and quotas, ensure strong trade remedy laws that address unfair trade practices, and protect our environment from high-emission foreign steel production. In the 118th Congress, we look forward to working with the Biden Administration on these and other measures, policies, and initiatives that will allow the American steel industry and its invaluable workers to thrive in our global economy.

Sincerely,



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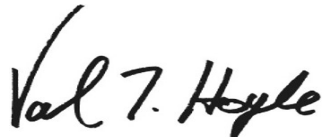
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cc: The Honorable Katherine Tai, United States Trade Representative