February 18, 2021

The Honorable Joseph Biden
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The undersigned associations, representing major sectors of the American economy, call on your administration to work with Congress to reinvigorate semiconductor manufacturing in the United States and increase semiconductor research by funding the initiatives authorized in the CHIPS for America Act enacted as part of the FY2021 NDAA and to enact an investment tax credit to help build and modernize more semiconductor manufacturing facilities in America.

Semiconductors play a critical role in enabling the products and services that fuel our economy, contribute to American innovation, and enhance our national security. Given the central role of semiconductors, strengthening the U.S. position in semiconductor research, design, and manufacturing is a national priority. While the governments of our global competitors have invested heavily to attract new semiconductor manufacturing and research facilities, the absence of U.S. incentives has made our country uncompetitive and America’s share of global semiconductor manufacturing has steadily declined as a result. To be competitive and strengthen the resilience of critical supply chains, we believe the U.S. needs to incentivize the construction of new and modernized semiconductor manufacturing facilities and invest in research capabilities.

The CHIPS for America Act authorized programs to promote U.S. semiconductor manufacturing and research, and now is the time to work with Congress to provide robust funding for these programs and enact an investment tax credit in your forthcoming recovery and infrastructure proposal. These initiatives will help grow the U.S. economy, increase jobs in advanced manufacturing, assure the supply of critical components essential to virtually all sectors of the economy, and strengthen our national security.

We believe the need is urgent and now is the time to act. We look forward to working with you on this national priority.

Sincerely,

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Alliance for Automotive Innovation
Autos Drive America
CTIA
Global Business Alliance
IPC International
Information Technology Industry Council (ITI)
Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association

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National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA)
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Semiconductor Industry Association (SIA)
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Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA)
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