

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

November 19, 2021

The Honorable Katherine Tai  
United States Trade Representative  
600 17th St NW  
Washington, DC 20006

Dear Ambassador Tai:

We write to you today about importance of the U.S. – India bilateral trade relationship. We commend you for restarting the U.S.-India Trade Policy Forum (TPF), for it provides the United States an opportunity to address long-standing market access barriers in India.

In 2019, India's failure to address U.S. market access concerns led to the termination of India's designation as a Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) beneficiary. While multiple rounds of negotiations in 2019 and 2020 led to some progress, the United States and India did not reach an agreement. As such, numerous American products – such as apples, dairy products, and medical devices, among others – still face challenges accessing the Indian market. Clearly, the status quo with India negatively impacts American workers, farmers, and manufacturers.

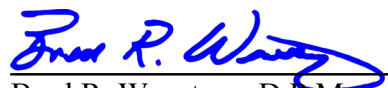
As you know, Congress is considering legislation to reform and reauthorize the GSP program. In this regard, we encourage you to advance negotiations with your counterparts in India. If progress can be made at the TPF to address the market access issues that led to India's termination as a GSP beneficiary, we strongly encourage you to create a framework for a deal that could be implemented soon after Congress reauthorizes the GSP program. Given the broad range of India's trade practices that impact U.S. exporters, such a framework may not resolve all market access barriers in India. Recognizing this, we note that the GSP statute authorizes partial reinstatement of GSP benefits; accordingly, if India were to meet the program's eligibility criteria, we encourage you to examine restoring GSP benefits for India commensurate with the extent of its market-opening actions. We believe that incremental but meaningful steps can help build momentum for future TPF successes.

We look forward to working with you on trade policies that support American companies and workers, farmers, and manufacturers, including improved market access for U.S. exports to India.

Sincerely,



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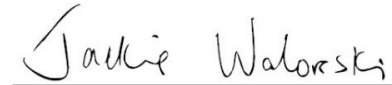
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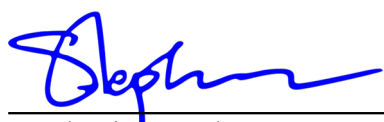
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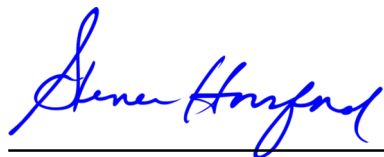
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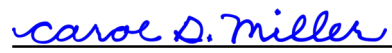
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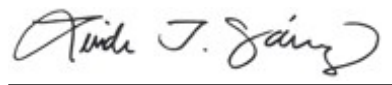
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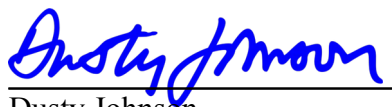
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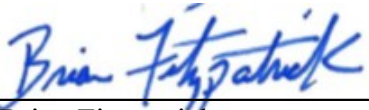
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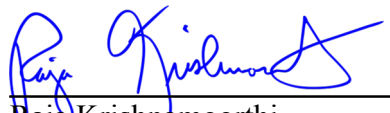
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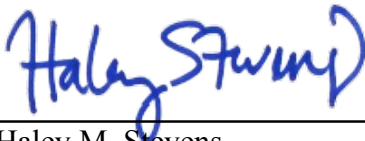
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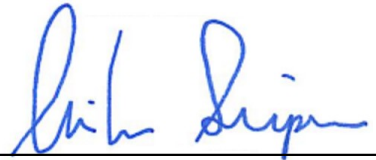
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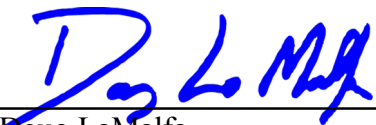
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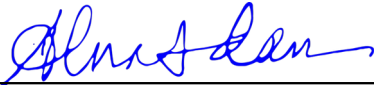
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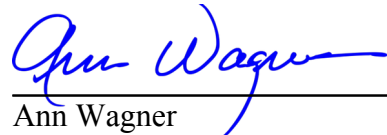
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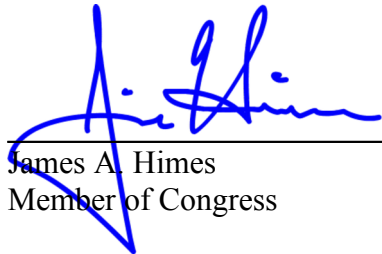
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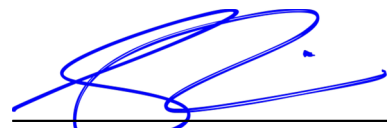
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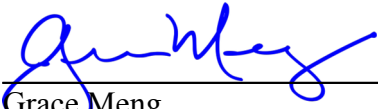
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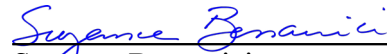
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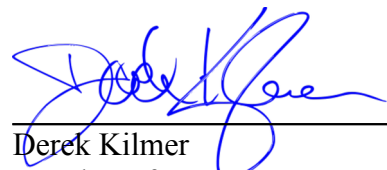
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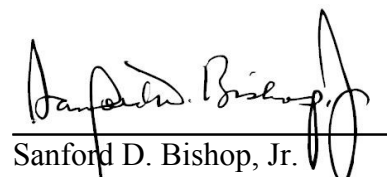
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