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A CONCURRENT MEMORIAL

URGING THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO REEVALUATE
PROPOSED RESTRICTIONS ON THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY.

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1 To the President and Congress of the United States of America:

2 Your memorialist respectfully represents:

3 Whereas, the State of Arizona recognizes the vital role played by
4 the chemical industry in the economic development, national security and
5 technological innovation of the United States; and

6 Whereas, the chemical industry is a cornerstone of our nation's
7 economy, contributing over \$600 billion in economic impact, supporting
8 more than half a million jobs and constituting 25% of the gross domestic
9 product; and

10 Whereas, the chemical industry is instrumental in providing
11 essential products and innovations that drive progress in areas such as
12 housing, infrastructure, health care, telecommunications and clean energy
13 solutions; and

14 Whereas, the success of the chemical industry is crucial to
15 maintaining America's global competitiveness and achieving national
16 priorities; and

17 Whereas, recent regulatory actions and proposed restrictions by the
18 Biden Administration and its agencies have raised concerns about the
19 impact on the chemical industry's ability to innovate, create products and
20 contribute to the nation's economic growth; and

21 Whereas, these new restrictions have the potential to limit access
22 to and increase the cost of essential products, negatively impacting the
23 United States economy, jeopardizing American competitiveness and delaying
24 progress in industries with urgent and growing needs; and

25 Whereas, there are currently 13 proposed new restrictions with the
26 potential to directly impact the chemical industry, ranging from outright
27 bans on certain chemistries to regulations that may render manufacturing
28 unviable or impossible; and

29 Whereas, these restrictions may have detrimental effects on the
30 supply chains for vital technologies, including semiconductors, electric
31 vehicles and modern health care applications; and

32 Whereas, the proposed restrictions contradict policy priorities set
33 forth by laws such as the Inflation Reduction Act, the Infrastructure
34 Investment and Jobs Act and the CHIPS and Science Act; and

35 Whereas, responsible regulation that prioritizes science, promotes
36 innovation and supports supply chain resiliency is essential to achieving
37 national goals.

38 Wherefore your memorialist, the House of Representatives of the State of
39 Arizona, the Senate concurring, prays:

40 1. That the Members of the Legislature urge the President of the
41 United States, federal agencies and the United States Congress to
42 reevaluate proposed restrictions on the chemical industry and to ensure
43 that regulations are based on sound science, promote innovation and
44 support supply chain resiliency.

1 2. That the Members of the Legislature urge the President of the
2 United States, federal agencies and the United States Congress to support
3 frameworks that celebrate innovation and accelerate progress in the
4 chemical industry.

5 3. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit
6 copies of this Memorial to the President of the United States, the
7 President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States
8 House of Representatives, the directors of relevant federal agencies and
9 each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.