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The Honorable Lamar Smith
Chair
Committee on Science, Space and Technology
U.S. House of Representatives
2321 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Eddie Bernice Johnson
Ranking Member
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Dear Chairman Smith and Ranking Member Johnson:

On behalf of One Voice, the joint effort between the National Tooling and Machining Association (NTMA) and the Precision Metalforming Association (PMA), and our nearly 3,000 metalworking member companies, thank you for your leadership and continued efforts to highlight the importance of manufacturing in America. The Revitalize American Manufacturing and Innovation Act, H.R. 2996 and the corresponding Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute, is an important step in fostering an environment that encourages American manufacturers to grow and thrive.

Manufacturing businesses employ more than 12 million Americans and is a vital industry for the future of our economic and national security. To strengthen and expand the manufacturing base in the U.S., we must engage leaders at every level. The establishment of public-private partnerships like the Centers for Manufacturing Innovation (CMI) will help the development of strategies and best practices to enhance U.S. industrial competitiveness while also helping to meet the workforce needs of our industry and strengthening the manufacturing base in the U.S.

Thank you for your leadership on this issue on behalf of the metalworking industry and we look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

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NTMA President