



DENVER  
METRO  
CHAMBER  
OF COMMERCE



Metro Denver  
Economic Development Corporation



March 15, 2018

The President  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Re: Aluminum and Steel Tariffs

Dear Mr. President:

The Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce represents over 3,000 employers who in turn employ over 300,000 Coloradans. The Colorado Competitive Council and the Metro Denver Economic Development Corporation are affiliates of the Chamber who work to attract new businesses to our region and help existing companies expand.

We write together with numerous other business organizations across the state to express our concerns regarding the announced tariffs on aluminum and steel imports. We agree that there are bad actors who threaten the U.S. economy by violating existing trade agreements. We support the aggressive enforcement of U.S. trade policy. However, across-the-board tariffs are not the right solution for our country and historically do more harm than good. Our trade policy should be more precise to protect national security while promoting our economy and creating jobs.

The administration needs to ensure that changes to trade policy do not have a negative impact on Colorado and U.S. businesses. Valued trading partners who follow the rules should not be punished. Alienating our strongest global allies would be detrimental and counterproductive not only to our state but also to the U.S. Thank you in advance for your consideration of these concerns as you work through implementing changes to our country's trade policy.

Sincerely,

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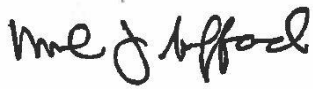
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**Nicholas Colglazier**, Director  
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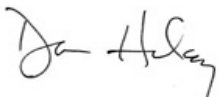
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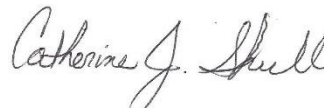


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