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The Honorable Michael Honda
United States House of Representatives
1713 Longworth House Office Building
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Dear Congressman Honda:

On behalf of the American Chemical Society, the world's largest scientific society, and home to more than 161,000 chemists, engineers, and related professionals, it is my pleasure to offer support for HR 255, *The Next Generation American Manufacturing Act of 2015*.

Boosting the American manufacturing sector is crucial to strengthening the U.S. economy and incentives such as those contained in your important legislation represent a great potential benefit to U.S. job creators. The ACS strongly believes that manufacturing products within the borders of the U.S. must make economic sense to emerging businesses and investors, or they may go elsewhere. We commend your initiative to support the future innovators of America for they will play an essential role in how successfully the U.S. grows jobs and remains an economic global leader.

We look forward to working with your office and Congress in the coming months to assist with the passage of this significant legislation, and I thank you for your leadership on this crucial issue. I have also enclosed a copy of the ACS Business Climate Statement, for your information. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me, or Dr. Ryan Davison who works on manufacturing issues for the ACS at (202) 872-6241.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Diane Grob Schmidt". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Diane Grob Schmidt, Ph.D.
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