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Representative John Garamendi 2438 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Congressman Garamendi:

The Shipbuilders Council of America (SCA) is writing to express strong support for the Energizing American Shipbuilding Act. This legislation will strengthen the United States shipyard industrial base by generating new business for U.S. shipyards, creating new jobs, and increasing America's presence in the global energy market.

SCA is the national trade association representing U.S. shipbuilders, ship repairers and the shipyard supplier base in Washington, D.C. The SCA represents 42 companies that own and operate over 120 shipyards, with facilities on all three U.S. coasts, the Great Lakes, the inland waterways system, Alaska and Hawaii. SCA also represents 109 partner members that provide goods and services to the shipyard industry. The shipyard industry supports over 400,000 jobs nationwide, and contributes \$9.8 billion in direct GDP to the national economy.

The SCA applauds your efforts and commitment to this important legislation. You have always been a champion of the maritime industry, and we are honored to have the opportunity to work with a true leader like you.

SCA greatly appreciates your support in growing a stronger and more robust domestic shipyard industry.

Sincerely,

Matthew Paxton

President

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