



United States House of Representatives
United States Senate
Washington, D.C.

Re: CHIPS and Science Act of 2022

Dear Members of the California Delegation,

The undersigned business associations of California wish to congratulate you on your successful leadership in passing the *CHIPS and Science Act of 2022* (Act). Collectively, we represent the diverse actors within our Innovation Economy, including technology companies, research entities, as well as financial and legal institutions.

Semiconductors provide a myriad of benefits to our nation. They are essential components in products that are vital to America's businesses, such as desktop computers, laptops, tablets and smartphones. In the area of security, we depend on a reliable source of semiconductors and components in order to consistently produce cutting edge microelectronics that enhance military capabilities. Finally, a dependable stream of chips helps to mitigate supply shortages that have reduced domestic manufacturing and idled plants.

California is well-positioned to leverage the Act's incentives and resources to strengthen national manufacturing, R&D and semiconductor workforce training. The Golden State leads the nation with 64,000 semiconductor manufacturing jobs and 643 semiconductor establishments.¹ Further, California is home to numerous national laboratories, internationally renowned universities and a globally diverse tech workforce.

The Act presents a unique moment to seize upon California's innovation and manufacturing advantages that will help strengthen the national economy and reinforce our critical supply chain of needed semiconductor chips and components. We respectfully request that you urge the

¹ California, State Statistics 2022, Semiconductor Industry Association

Department of Commerce to move expeditiously to implement the Act's incentive program, and we are happy to serve as an industry resource as the Act is implemented.

Thank you for sharing our commitment to strengthening America's innovation leadership.

Respectfully,

Bay Area Council
Chamber San Mateo County
Fremont Chamber of Commerce
Los Angeles County Business Federation
San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce
San Mateo County Economic Development Association
Silicon Valley Leadership Group
Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce
Valley Industry & Commerce Association