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Immediate Attention Requested

**February 2, 2022**

**To: Members of the U.S. House of Representatives  
House staff assigned to trade and/or steel issues**

**PLEASE SUPPORT H.R. 4521, THE AMERICA COMPETES ACT,  
WHICH INCLUDES TRADE REMEDY IMPROVEMENT PROVISIONS**

**Background:** The American steel industry has faced repeated surges of dumped and subsidized steel imports into the U.S. market. In response, domestic steelmakers have successfully sought relief under the U.S. trade remedy laws, only to face new surges in imports of the same product from other countries not covered by the original remedy. As China and other export-oriented economies attempt to evade and circumvent our trade remedy system, it is critical that Congress take action to address these challenges.

**Situation:** This week, the House is set to begin consideration of the America COMPETES Act of 2022, which aims to enhance U.S. competitiveness to counter China's non-market policies and practices. Included in the trade title of this legislation is the Eliminating Global Market Distortions to Protect American Jobs Act, also known as the Leveling the Playing Field Act 2.0, which was introduced by Representatives Terri Sewell (D-AL) and Bill Johnson (R-OH). The legislation will strengthen the U.S. trade remedy laws by enhancing the tools available to obtain timely relief against repeat offenders and by addressing the growing problem of cross-border subsidization, such as China's Belt and Road Initiative that subsidizes steel capacity and production beyond its borders. These and other provisions in the bill will enhance the ability of the U.S. government to enforce the antidumping and countervailing duty laws and will ensure the U.S. trade laws remain an effective tool for American producers and workers.

**Request:** Please vote **YES** on H.R. 4521, which contains provisions supported by the domestic steel industry to enhance the trade remedy laws to address new trade challenges presented by China and other repeat offenders of our trade laws.

Thank you for your continued efforts on behalf of American manufacturing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin M. Dempsey".

Kevin M. Dempsey  
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