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President Joe Biden 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Biden,

During your first two years in office, you signaled your commitment to science and technology by elevating your Science Adviser to the Cabinet and working tirelessly to pass critical bipartisan science and technology legislation, including the CHIPS and Science Act. As members of the Science and Technology Action Committee, an ad hoc, non-partisan group of non-profit, academic, foundation and business leaders advocating for greater focus and funding of science and technology, we congratulate you on this accomplishment and ask that you keep the momentum going in your fiscal 2024 budget request.

The passage and funding of the CHIPS and Science Act last year represented a major milestone in advancing key investments in science and technology that will fuel new innovations, strengthen domestic supply chains and prioritize building a robust talent pipeline of STEM workers. While the year-end omnibus bill strove to fully fund many of its key provisions, critical pieces of the CHIPS and Science Act didn't receive the funding the measure authorized.

Now it's time to finish the job. We urge that your fiscal 2024 budget include the funding that was authorized in CHIPS and Science for the NSF and other science agencies, or at the very least propose substantial increases that will keep agencies on the path to reaching the authorized levels. Doing so will help power the U.S. economy, national security and global competitiveness for years to come, ensuring that new research, development and technological advancements are created here at home.

Your administration has been a champion for science and technology since Day 1. Thank you. We commend you on your remarkable achievements of the past two years and look forward to continuing to work with your administration to secure the investments needed to improve the lives of every American and expand our economy through science.

Sincerely,

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