

July 28, 2021

Dear Speaker Pelosi, Leader Schumer, Leader McConnell, and Leader McCarthy:

On behalf of the Semiconductors in America Coalition (SIAC), a cross-sector alliance of companies that make and use semiconductors, we are writing to urge Congress to support funding for incentives for semiconductor manufacturing and increased semiconductor research.

As you are aware, semiconductors are crucial to the technologies of today and tomorrow, including aerospace, automotive, cloud computing, medical devices, telecommunications, and more. Semiconductors also underpin many of the technologies and systems vital to our national security and critical infrastructure. Because U.S. leadership in this critical technology is at risk in the face of global competition and investment by our competitors, Congress should act promptly to provide funding for semiconductor manufacturing and research, and without carve-outs or allocating funding to specific industries. The Senate included \$52 billion in emergency supplemental funding to fund the CHIPS for America Act as part of the USICA legislation (S.1260), and we call on Congress to work together to ensure this funding is approved and sent to the president for his signature. The president has already highlighted the urgent need for this funding in his budget request and in the recent White House report on the semiconductor supply chain.

Funding these initiatives is an important part of a national strategy to address the current shortage of semiconductors, which is adversely impacting a broad range of industries throughout the economy. Robust funding of the CHIPS Act would help America build the additional capacity necessary to have more resilient supply chains to ensure critical technologies are produced in the U.S. Funding for these initiatives will help fill key gaps in our domestic semiconductor ecosystem and cover the full range of semiconductor technologies and process nodes – from legacy to leading-edge – relied on by industry, the military, and critical infrastructure.

The Senate approach to funding of the CHIPS Act properly recognizes the need for addressing the full range of semiconductor technologies used throughout the economy, and we call on Congress to adopt this approach in its final funding package. This funding will promote economic growth, enhance U.S. technology leadership, strengthen national security, and make our supply chains more resilient. We look forward to working with you to ensure this funding is adopted promptly.

Sincerely,

Semiconductors in America Coalition (SIAC)
(companies listed below)

SIAC is comprised of Semiconductor Industry Association members, other companies in the semiconductor ecosystem, and major downstream users of semiconductors from a range of important sectors:

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