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To the Arizona Congressional Delegation:

On behalf of Santa Cruz County, Arizona, we are writing to request your support for the passage of the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA).

Ratifying the USMCA is an important step in creating stability and certainty for all United States businesses involved in trade in North America. It is estimated that in Arizona alone over 90,000 jobs have a direct nexus to trade with Mexico and Canada. Recently, due to the uncertainty of our trading relationship, there has been a noticeable decline in businesses investment in the border region. We respectfully urge you to support the passage of this agreement so we in our border community may move forward with our economic development activities.

In recent years, Arizona's economy has grown exponentially. In large part, this growth is thanks to the right business environment, modern infrastructure, a talented workforce and strong working relationship. The USMCA will help Arizona build on this economic success and ensure that North America remains the most competitive region of the world where companies want to invest and grow their businesses.

The USMCA meets the needs of the 21st century economy by providing:

- Certainty for future investments in North America, ensuring North America remains the most desired market and place to invest in the world.
- Stronger rules of origin for products manufactures in North America.
- New provisions to protect intellectual property and trade in services.
- New chapters that focus on digital trade and anticorruption.

A strong trade deal with Mexico and Canada is crucial for Arizona's economic future and will help Arizona lead in our global economy. Please work with your colleagues in Congress to ratify the USMCA as quickly as possible.

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