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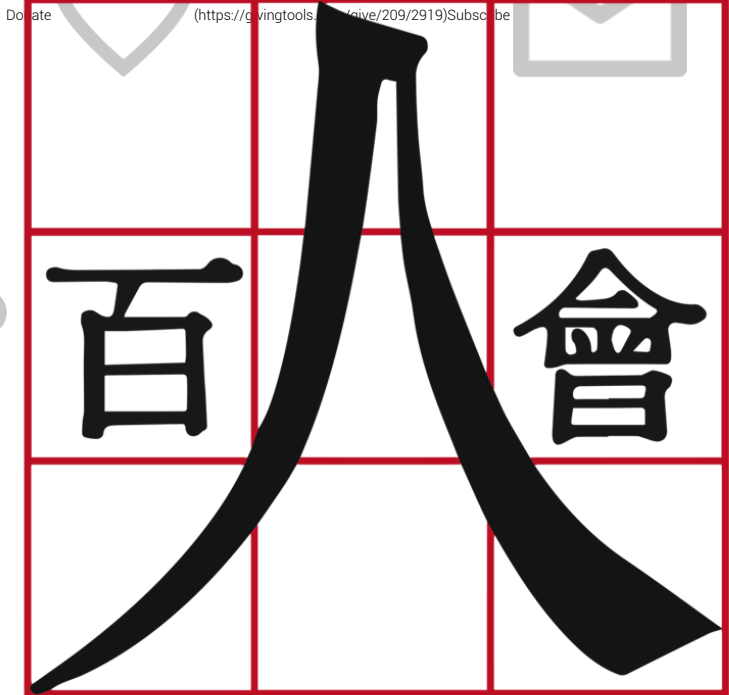
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**New York, NY (February 23, 2021)**

Committee on Finance  
United States Senate  
Rm. SD-219  
Dirksen Senate Office Bldg.  
Washington, DC 20510-6200

Dear Chairman Wyden, Ranking Member Crapo and the members of the U.S. Senate Committee on Finance,

On behalf of Committee of 100, we would like to express our full support for the confirmation of Katherine Tai as U.S. Trade Representative.

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Ms. Tai has the experience necessary to negotiate and deliver clear and resolute messages on behalf of the United States. Specifically, Ms. Tai previously served as the U.S. Trade Representative's lead negotiator with China on all matters related to WTO enforcement. That experience, coupled with her fluency in Mandarin and knowledge of the region, provides her a uniquely qualified foundation to address the challenging trade relationship with China, an important touchstone of the most important bilateral relationship for the United States.

It is also important that our trade representative reflect the diversity of our great nation. Ms. Tai's nomination as U.S. Trade Representative would be the first time a Chinese American has taken on this important role, and the first time for any woman of color. Her nomination would thus be an important signal to all Chinese Americans that the United States is committed to including all voices and recognizing the contributions of communities of color.

The Committee of 100 is a non-profit U.S. leadership organization of prominent Chinese Americans in business, government, academia, healthcare, and the arts. For the past 30 years, our dual mission has been to promote the full inclusion of Chinese Americans in American society and help enable more constructive relations between the U.S. and China. When Ms. Tai spoke at the Committee of 100 – U.S. Association of Former Members of Congress event in March of 2019, it was clear that her knowledge and experience in U.S.-China relations would be a tremendous asset to all Americans.

For these and many additional reasons, we urge the prompt confirmation of Ms. Tai for the role of U.S. Trade Representative. We look forward to working with Ms. Tai and the Biden administration.

Sincerely,  
Committee of 100

#### About Committee of 100

Committee of 100 (C100) is a non-profit U.S. leadership organization of prominent and extraordinary Chinese Americans in business, government, academia, healthcare, and the arts. Founded by the late world-renowned architect I.M. Pei and internationally acclaimed cellist Yo-Yo Ma, among others, it is an institution of U.S. citizens of Chinese heritage. For over 30 years, C100 has served as a preeminent organization committed to the dual missions of promoting the full participation of Chinese Americans in all aspects of American life and constructive relations between the United States and Greater China. [www.committee100.org](http://www.committee100.org). Please follow us on Twitter (<https://twitter.com/Committee100>) and LinkedIn (<https://www.linkedin.com/company/committee-of-100/>) for updates.

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