

# United States Senate

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H.E. Prime Minister Abe Shinzo  
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Republic of Korea

Your Excellencies,

We write to you as bipartisan members of the United States Senate and as strong supporters of the U.S. bilateral alliances with Japan and the Republic of Korea. We believe it is important to reaffirm the critical importance of these partnerships in the Indo-Pacific region. These alliances, each independently forged after the difficult trials of war, serve as the linchpin of security and prosperity in the Indo-Pacific region and help advance the cause of a more peaceful, prosperous and free world.

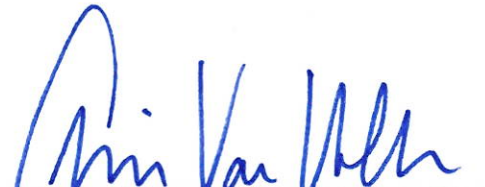
While we recognize the complex history between your two great countries, we believe it is a critical time for Japan, the Republic of Korea and the United States to work together and deepen our economic, security and cultural relationships. Disunity only provides the opportunity for countries such as China and North Korea to sow discord in our relationships in order to shift the balance of power in the Indo-Pacific away from freedom and towards authoritarianism. Additionally, there are a number of pressing global challenges that are best addressed through a unified approach.

We remain committed to deepening and broadening our diplomatic, economic and security ties with your great nations and look forward to continued cooperation and partnership in the years ahead.

Sincerely,



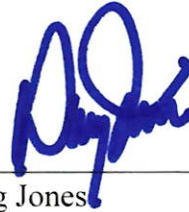
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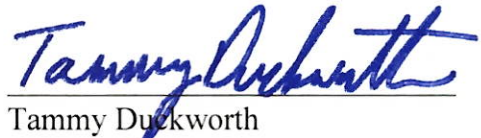
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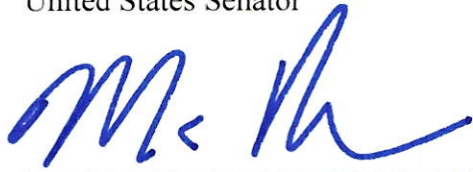
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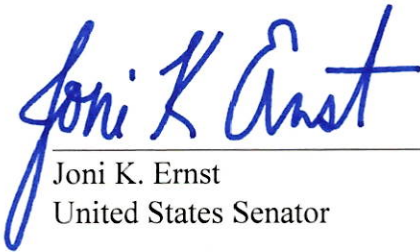
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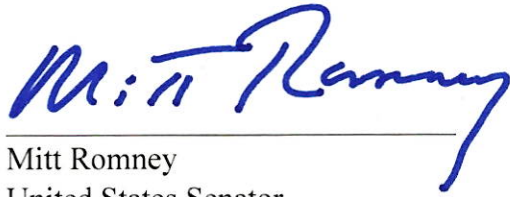
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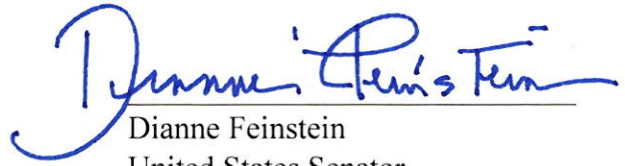
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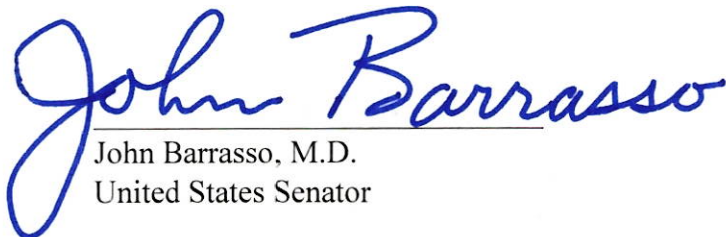
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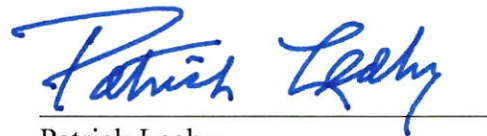
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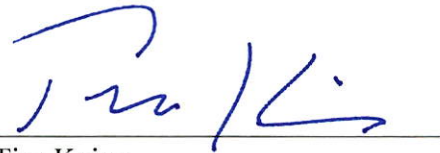
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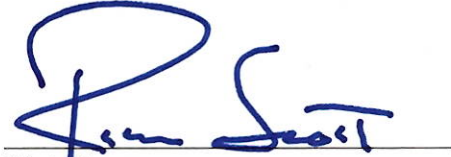
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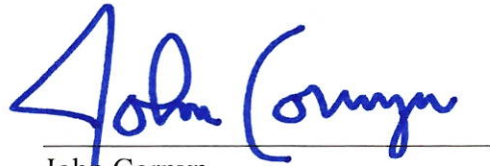
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