Congress of the United States

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The Honorable Howard W. Lutnick Secretary of Commerce U.S. Department of Commerce 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20230

Dear Secretary Lutnick:

We write to express our support for the American low speed personal transportation vehicle (LSPTV) industry and our concern for the substantial efforts being undertaken by Chinese LSPTV producers to circumvent and evade U.S. trade relief. We commend the U.S. Department of Commerce for its hard work in conducting the antidumping and countervailing duty investigations on *Low Speed Personal Transportation Vehicles from the People's Republic of China*. These investigations are critical to ensuring the unfairly traded Chinese imports do not continue to injure the American LSPTV industry.

We are very concerned, however, by the actions being taken by Chinese LSPTV producers to circumvent and evade the trade relief needed by the domestic industry. It is our understanding that not long after the Department issued its preliminary countervailing duty determination in November 2024, requiring preliminary cash deposits as high as 515%, Chinese LSPTV producers began to aggressively pursue schemes to avoid paying duties and to circumvent and evade U.S. trade measures. We also understand, since the Department issued its preliminary antidumping duty determination in January 2025, imposing additional preliminary cash deposits as high as 478%, that Chinese LSPTV manufacturers have doubled down on their evasion efforts.

It is clear to us that, since the Department's preliminary determinations, Chinese LSPTV producers have responded, not by abiding U.S. trade rules, but rather by re-labeling and re-organizing their supply chains in an effort to skirt those very trade disciplines. As a result, large volumes of unfairly priced LSPTVs from China remain in the U.S. market and continue to be shipped to the United States. This undermines the considerable preliminary antidumping and countervailing duty rates calculated by the Department and deprives domestic LSPTV producers, their workers, and their dealer networks of much needed trade relief.

We ask the Department to take all steps necessary to ensure that Chinese producers do not continue to erode U.S. trade measures, especially given the significant levels of dumping and subsidization that the agency has already found to exist among LSPTV imports from China. Specifically, we urge the Department to work with domestic LSPTV producers to strengthen the eventual trade orders and ensure that the appropriate mechanisms are in place such that U.S. Customs and Border Protection can fully and effectively enforce these orders.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration of these important issues.

Sincerely,

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