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The Honorable Pete Buttigleg, Secretary of Transportation US Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Secretary Buttigleg:

As the world's largest home improvement retailer and the country's third-largest importer, The Home Depot is pleased to express support for the Port of Mobile's 2022 grant application for the US Department of Transportation Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP).

As The Home Depot's investment in supply chain grows, it continues to innovate and has partnered with the Administration on addressing supply chain disruption. We understand the importance of port related investments and commend the Administration on the \$450 million in port infrastructure grants allocated in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. As such, expanded capacity at the Port of Mobile would help The Home Depot and other importers to balance their supply chains while boosting the local economy.

The pandemic-era surge in consumer demand exposed weaknesses in our nation's supply chain. Expanding port capacity, safety, and reliability is essential to avoiding further disruption as well as growing US business. We urge you to fully fund the port's application to the PIDP grant program.

Sincerely,

Sarah Galica

Vice President – Transportation

The Home Depot