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Dear San Franciscan,

Thank you for contacting me to express your views regarding our nation's trade policy. I appreciate hearing from you on this important issue.

The United States must be a leader in the global economy and use our role to ensure that American workers and American values are not left behind while recognizing the fundamental connection between commerce and climate. During my time in Congress, I have worked to ensure that labor standards, access to medicines, consumer and intellectual property and environmental safeguards are as enforceable as the protection of the economic interests of investors when negotiating trade deals.

Unfortunately, I believe the Trade Promotion Authority legislation before Congress last year fell short in guaranteeing these protections in the agreement, which is why on June 12th and June 18th, 2015, I voted 'No' in order to slow down the trade Fast Track and push for better deals for the American people – trade agreements that offer bigger paychecks, more domestic jobs, and strengthen environmental standards and safe working conditions.

As Congress and the American people review the finalized terms of the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP), we must put American workers first to allow our economy to grow and America to succeed. Please be assured that I will oppose the TPP as it is currently written or any deal that attempts to separate commerce from the environment and will work to ensure that our nation's trade policies include increased transparency, more consultation, and stronger protections to create jobs, strengthen human rights and preserve the environment.

best regards,

NANCY PELOSI Member of Congress

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