

October 3, 2010

The Honorable Dan Burton
U.S. House of Representatives
2308 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Burton:

Congratulations and thank you on behalf of the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM), the nation's largest industrial trade association representing small and large manufacturers in every industrial sector and in all 50 states.

Your voting record in the 111th Congress has earned you the *NAM Award for Manufacturing Legislative Excellence*. Manufacturers present the *NAM Award for Manufacturing Legislative Excellence* to legislators who consistently support our pro-growth, pro-jobs agenda and achieve a rating of 70 percent or better on Key Manufacturing Votes. Your rating was an outstanding (78 percent).

The attached materials explain the *NAM Award* in additional detail. Local presentations by NAM members around the country are being planned to honor Award winners. You may soon hear from a manufacturing constituent in your district about arranging such an event.

We plan to soon publish your voting record at www.nam.org and will share it with our entire membership. Your favorable votes on key manufacturing issues helped advance the effort to maintain U.S. leadership in the global economy, reduce excessive production costs, develop a 21st-century workforce, and promote innovation, investment and productivity.

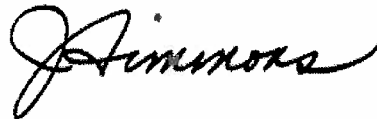
You will be hearing from us in the coming weeks about this Award. We look forward to working with you and other members of Congress who share our support for manufacturing and the millions of people who make things in America.

Again, thank you and congratulations.

Sincerely,



Kelly Johnston
Chairman, NAM Key Vote Advisory Committee
Vice President, Government Affairs
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Jay Timmons
Executive Vice President
National Association of Manufacturers

Attachments: 1) House Key Manufacturing Votes; 2) NAM Key Vote Fact Sheet

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NAM Key Manufacturing Votes* U.S. House of Representatives, 111th Congress

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| 1. Unlimited Damage Awards/
Paycheck Fairness Act
Final Passage, H.R. 12 – Roll Call 8
NAM Position: No | 10. Budget Reconciliation/
Health Care
Final Passage, H.R. 4872
Roll Call 167 – NAM Position: No |
| 2. More Employer Discrimination
Suits/Ledbetter Fair Pay Act
Final Passage, S. 181 – Roll Call 37
NAM Position: No | 11. Home Star Energy Retrofit Act
Final Passage, H.R. 5019
Roll Call 255 – NAM Position: Yes |
| 3. Economic Stimulus/American
Recovery & Reinvestment Act
Conference Report, H.R. 1
Roll Call 70 – NAM Position: Yes | 12. America COMPETES Act
Final Passage, H.R. 5116
Roll Call 332 – NAM Position: Yes |
| 4. Waxman-Markey Bill/American
Clean Energy & Security Act
Final Passage, H.R. 2454
Roll Call 477 – NAM Position: No | 13. Curbing Firms' First Amendment
Rights/DISCLOSE Act
Final Passage, H.R. 5175
Roll Call 391 – NAM Position: No |
| 5. Say on Pay/Executive
Compensation
Final Passage, H.R. 3269
Roll Call 686 – NAM Position: No | 14. Miscellaneous Tariff Bill
Final Passage, H.R. 4380
Roll Call 456 – NAM Position: Yes |
| 6. Health Care: Affordable Health
Care for America Act
Final Passage, H.R. 3962
Roll Call 887 – NAM Position: No | 15. Oil Spill Liability
Final Passage, H.R. 3534
Roll Call 513 – NAM Position: No |
| 7. Making High Estate Tax Rates
Permanent
Final Passage, H.R. 4154
Roll Call 929 – NAM Position: No | 16. International Tax Increases
Final Passage, H.R. 1586
Roll Call 518 – NAM Position: No |
| 8. Managing Risk/End-Users
Derivatives Amendment
Murphy Amendment, H.R. 4173
Roll Call 956 – NAM Position: Yes | 17. Rare Earths and Critical Materials
Revitalization Act
Final Passage, H.R. 6160
Roll Call 555 – NAM Position: Yes |
| 9. Health Care: Patient Protection
And Affordable Care Act
Final Passage, H.R. 3590
Roll Call 165 – NAM Position: No | 18. AMERICA Works Act
Final Passage, H.R. 4072
Roll Call 556 – NAM Position: Yes |

*This list of Key Manufacturing Votes was selected by the NAM's Key Vote Advisory Committee, a group of manufacturing executives, evenly divided between small and large companies, along with one member of the manufacturing association community.

Key Manufacturing Votes/NAM Award

When issues affecting manufacturers make their way through the legislative process, the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) will notify members of Congress prior to floor action – via Key Manufacturing Vote e-mails to each Hill office – of our interest and position on the legislation. The votes are posted at www.nam.org/votes and made available to our membership. Key Manufacturing Vote letters sent to Congress during the 111th Congress are available at www.nam.org/keyvotes.

- All Key Manufacturing Votes are selected by the NAM's Key Vote Advisory Committee (KVAC), a group consisting of 15 manufacturing executives, evenly divided between small and large companies, along with one member of the manufacturing association community.
- Votes are chosen only if the NAM's position has been clearly communicated to Congress in advance of the vote.
- A preliminary rating is calculated at the end of the first session of each Congress. This rating is communicated directly to members of Congress as an early indication of their record of support of (or opposition to) the NAM's pro-growth agenda.
- A final NAM vote rating based on legislators' scores on Key Manufacturing Votes is published at the end of each Congress in the *NAM Voting Record*.

NAM Award: At the end of each Congress, eligible members of Congress whose records reflect percentages of 70 or higher in support of the NAM position on Key Votes will receive the *NAM Award for Manufacturing Legislative Excellence*.

NAM member companies will bestow the *NAM Award for Manufacturing Legislative Excellence* to recipients in special events and celebrations in their home districts immediately following the close of the 111th Congress.

Vote Selection Criteria

1. Votes must be on issues on which the NAM took clear positions and either: a) expressed this position in Key Vote communications to Congress prior to the vote; or b) communicated its position with regularity in the recent past.
2. Votes must be made on the Senate or House floor. Committee, subcommittee and conference committee votes will not be considered.
3. Votes should be substantive. Procedural votes may be used where the procedural vote is deemed a true measure of support for or opposition to the bill.
4. Votes may be on final passage or on key amendments.
5. Votes must be recorded and not voice votes.

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