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The Honorable Maria Cantwell  
United States Senate  
Committee on Commerce, Science, and  
Transportation  
420-A Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Roger Wicker  
United States Senate  
Committee on Commerce, Science, and  
Transportation  
512 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chair Cantwell and Ranking Member Wicker:

I write in support of the nomination of Jennifer Homendy as Chair of the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB). It is clear that Member Homendy possesses both the skill and experience necessary to lead the NTSB in this critical time as the nation weighs major infrastructure overhauls and emerging technologies pose new safety challenges. The board's role as an independent investigative agency is as fundamentally important as it is challenging and demands a leader of Member Homendy's caliber.

In her time as an NTSB Member since 2018, Member Homendy has been a tireless advocate for safety improvements across the transportation modes under the board's jurisdiction. Throughout her 12-year tenure as Staff Director for the House Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, she was an unwavering defender of transportation safety and worked to implement numerous safety recommendations proposed by the NTSB, including the installation of excess flow valves in distribution pipelines and implementation of positive train control (PTC).

Safe Kids Worldwide is a grassroots non-profit dedicated to preventing unintentional child injuries, the leading cause of death for American children. We work with a nationwide network of over 400 Safe Kids coalitions, led by children's hospitals, trauma centers, first responder agencies, health departments and community non-profits. As a trusted resource for parents, we educate on how to prevent injury and advocate for smart public policy.

We hope the Committee will vote in favor of Member Homendy's confirmation so she can begin her work as NTSB Chair with the vigor and effectiveness that this position deserves.

Sincerely,

Torine Creppy  
President  
Safe Kids Worldwide



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