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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
Speaker of the House  
United States House of Representatives  
H-232, U.S. Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Speaker Pelosi:

I am writing to request that you would support American workers by directing the Attending Physician and Architect of the Capitol to provide USA made personal protective equipment (PPE) for Members of Congress.

In response to an increase in COVID-19 Omicron cases, Members of the House of Representatives are now required to wear N95 or KN95 masks on the House floor. Additionally, each member's office will also receive a supply of KN95s. Unfortunately, masks currently provided to members are manufactured in China. With domestically produced PPE readily available, Congress should not rely on Chinese manufacturers for masks. If we should have learned anything from the COVID-19 pandemic—it is imperative to break U.S. dependence on foreign medical supply chains. The House of Representatives should lead by using masks made by patriotic Americans.

Members of Congress should not have to wear masks manufactured by unfriendly regimes. President Xi Jinping and the Chinese Communist Party poses a clear and real threat to our nation, one that must be taken seriously. China continues to impede a free and fair investigation into the origins of COVID-19. That is why I introduced the World Deserves to Know Act to uncover the truth about COVID-19's origins and prevent future pandemics. I also authored language included and signed into law in this year's National Defense Authorization Act to prohibit PPE procurement from China, Russia, North Korea, or Iran. The House of Representatives should follow suit and provide only made in the USA (or USMCA-compliant) masks to members and staff.

With kind regards, I remain

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert J. Wittman".

Robert J. Wittman  
Member of Congress