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The Honorable Frank Pallone
2107 Rayburn House Office Building
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Cathy McMorris Rogers
1035 Longworth House Office Building
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Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Pallone and Ranking Member Cathy McMorris Rodgers,

On behalf of the Personal Care Products Council (PCPC), the voice and advocate for 600 member companies representing the \$499.6 billion global cosmetics and personal care products industry, The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS), the nation's most effective animal protection organization, and the Humane Society Legislative Fund (HSLF), the separate lobbying affiliate of HSUS, we urge this subcommittee, and the broader Energy and Commerce committee, to consider including H.R. 6207, the Humane Cosmetics Act of 2021, in any moving legislative packages. The Humane Cosmetics Act ends new animal testing for cosmetics but gives FDA the discretion to require new testing if necessary.

Our organizations have long advocated for government recognition and acceptance of alternative testing methods. If enacted, this legislation would require the FDA to establish a strategic plan for developing and approving non-animal testing methods and strategies. The Humane Cosmetics Act of 2021 would also prohibit new animal testing of cosmetics and their ingredients as well as prohibit the sale of cosmetics in the United States that have been tested on animals. We stand firm in our shared goal to eliminate new cosmetic animal testing and promote recognition and acceptance of non-animal approaches to cosmetic safety assessments and we support enactment of this vital legislation.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to working with your Committee on advancing H.R. 6207, the Humane Cosmetics Act of 2021.

Sincerely,

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