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## NFA ADVOCATES FOR THE FIREWORKS INDUSTRY IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

To Our Valued NFA Members,

The National Fireworks Association (NFA) recently completed a critical fly-In trip to Washington, D.C., where we actively engaged with our industry's champions on Capitol Hill. Our discussions focused on key issues affecting the fireworks industry, including the impact of tariffs, concerns with the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), and preparations for the historic 250th anniversary of the United States in 2026.

During our meetings, we were informed of a significant and urgent development: proposed additional tariffs on Chinese imports, including fireworks, may be implemented as early as the first week of April. However, as of today, that has now become March 4, far sooner than previously anticipated. This acceleration of the proposed additional tariffs presents a major concern for our industry, and we are taking immediate action to address it.

The NFA is actively working alongside our industry partners, including the APA, PGI and our legislative allies to navigate this challenge. Our priority remains to ensure that any regulatory changes do not unfairly burden our members or threaten the accessibility of fireworks for American small businesses and consumers alike. Additionally, we are aggressively working to get the fireworks industry on an exemption list, should one begin to materialize in order to mitigate the impact of these tariffs.

As we continue our advocacy efforts in Washington, we encourage all members to stay engaged and informed. Your voices and support are vital in ensuring that our industry remains strong and vibrant, especially as we approach the nation's 250th anniversary—a celebration where fireworks will play an essential role. You need to contact your US Congress members and let them know how this will negatively impact you. This takes all of us. We all need to be involved in this effort.

We will provide further updates as they develop. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to the fireworks industry and to the NFA's mission.

Sincerely,

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