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**AAHOA Chair Vinay Patel Echoes SBA Administrator Isabel
Guzman's Comments on the Biden Administration's Efforts to
Strengthen America's Supply Chains**

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 28 – AAHOA Chair Vinay Patel issued the following statement in response to the SBA's commendation of the Biden Administration's efforts to bolster America's supply chains:

“Hoteliers, like any small business operators, depend on the influx of inventory to keep the lights on and the doors open. While grappling with the pandemic, labor shortages, and other compounding adversities, it is crucial to the basic functioning of small businesses nationwide that supply chains remain reliable. America's hoteliers applaud the Biden administration and SBA Administrator Isabel Guzman for their results-based actions over the past year to ensure Main Street stays stocked and loaded.”

Read the release from SBA Administrator Isabel Guzman:

<https://www.sba.gov/article/2022/feb/24/statement-administrator-guzman-applauding-biden-harris-administrations-whole-government-approach>

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About AAHOA

AAHOA is the largest hotel owners association in the nation, with Member-owned properties representing a significant part of the U.S. economy. AAHOA's 20,000 members own 60% of the hotels in the United States and are responsible for 1.7% of the nation's GDP. More than one million employees work at AAHOA member-owned hotels, earning \$47 billion annually, and member-owned hotels support 4.2 million U.S. jobs across all sectors of the hospitality industry. AAHOA's mission is to advance and protect the business interests of hotel owners through advocacy, industry leadership, professional development, member benefits, and community engagement.