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The Honorable Corrine Brown
 United States House of Representatives
 Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Brown:

I write to you to urge your support on the US-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement (CTPA). Colombia is the longest standing democracy in South America and it is the strongest ally to the United States in the region.

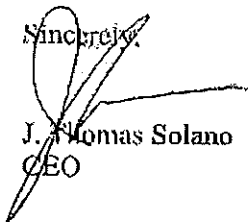
The CTPA will eliminate tariffs and barriers to goods and services, while promoting economic growth and stability to the country of Colombia. Agreements like the proposed US-Colombia TPA ensure that the United States may continue to gain access to world markets, which will result in an improved economy and additional employment of Americans. The Colombian floriculture generates an estimated 225,000 US jobs alone.

As an example, the US - Colombia TPA not only stands to benefit those across the United States, but will further benefit the ever growing Florida market. In 2006, over 250,000 Colombians visited Florida and contributed \$321 million to Florida's economy.

I urge you to ask the leadership of the House of Representatives to bring this legislation to a vote and hope that you will support this important trade agreement.

The US - Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement will benefit those of us in Florida and the United States as a whole, and I thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



J. Thomas Solano
 CEO

cc. David Simon, Trade Issues Coordinator