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**Statement by Ed Brady, President and CEO, Home Builders Institute (HBI)
on Senate Confirmation of Marty Walsh as Secretary of U.S. Department of Labor**

Congratulations to Marty Walsh on his confirmation as Secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor. Secretary Walsh is a lifelong champion of workers who knows the important, positive effect a talented workforce has on the health of families, communities, and our nation. Walsh's appointment is good news for the building industry because he understands that, in this a time of social turmoil and economic uncertainty, our country needs thousands more trained, skilled workers in the construction trades.

About Home Builders Institute (HBI)

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Through pre-apprenticeship training, certification programs and job placement services, HBI provides graduates—high school students, at-risk youth, veterans, transitioning military personnel, justice-involved youth and adults, and displaced workers—with the skills and experience they need to build a career and change their lives. Visit www.hbi.org for more information on HBI and follow us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [LinkedIn](#).