



AMERICANS *for* TAX REFORM

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The Honorable Diane Black
Chairman, House Budget Committee
B234 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Black:

I write in support of the FY 2018 budget resolution. As the vehicle for once in a generation, pro-growth tax reform, this budget resolution should be supported by all members of Congress.

Today, pro-growth tax reform is desperately needed. The economy remains stuck at two percent GDP growth, while innovative businesses struggle to compete against foreign competitors. The tax code is too complex and tax rates remain too high. By including budget reconciliation instructions for tax reform, the FY 18 budget resolution is step one in achieving pro-growth reform.

The House budget also lays out an aggressive plan to reduce spending, rein in the deficit, and streamline the federal government.

The FY18 budget balances in ten years and achieves \$6.5 trillion in deficit reduction over the decade. The budget resolution also calls for addressing entitlement spending by block granting Medicaid and implementing premium support vouchers for Medicare. These reforms will strengthen and preserve these important programs for decades to come.

In addition, the budget resolution calls for key reforms that make the federal government more efficient through reducing improper payments by \$700 billion over the next decade, as well as more than \$200 billion in spending reduction through mandatory savings.

By supporting the FY18 budget resolution, members of Congress can take an important step forward toward achieving tax reform in 2017. As such, all members should support this resolution.

Onward,

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