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To the members of the House Ways & Means:

Thank you for holding a hearing on the FairTax Act HR 25. I am writing in full support of the FairTax and ask that you each put your full support behind this legislation as well.

For the past 30 years I have devoted my personal time to tax reform on both a state and national level. As a small business owner I have seen firsthand the abuse of the current system. It is complicated, unfair to those who pay taxes, and puts an undue burden on the productive members of our society. Not to mention the very idea of a "Corporate Tax" and all the deceit that goes with placing our job creators at the largest disadvantage of the industrialized world. (Al Greenspan has testified before you in the past that "Businesses do not pay taxes only people do") which results in lower wages for the workers and higher prices for our citizens.

Our founding fathers never intended for "income" to be taxed. We all acknowledge that our system is broken and needs to be fixed. My belief to return the country to the prosperity it once had is to institute a consumption tax, specifically the FairTax. No other legislation has the financial research behind it that the FairTax has; no other legislation eliminates the compliance cost of the current system; and finally and most importantly the selling of tax favors would cease to exist.

Lastly others would contribute to our tax system such as visitors and non-citizens who are living in our country but go under the radar of the "income" based system. I urge you to read the support information that you will be given by others wiser than me regarding the economic impact and the job creation of HR25 and I ask you to support it and allow the full Congress to vote on allowing the American people to once again have a say on the most important aspect of their financial lives.

Sincerely,

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