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Dear Congressmen & Congresswomen:

I applaud your efforts to provide comprehensive tax reform. Even as a university graduate I do not feel capable of filing my own tax return.

As President of a private operating foundation I urge you to continue to allow all of our donors the ability to receive deductions for all of their donations, regardless of how large or how small.

We are a private foundation because we have one "angel" investor who regularly provides over 50% of our income. To place a ceiling on a deduction for donations would limit the donation we receive and would impact the level of service that we can provide to the poor children of rural Dominican Republic.

In the same manner, we receive donations from hundreds of Americans at levels of \$5.00, \$10.00 and \$25.00. Although small amounts, they add up to a significant portion of our income. Similarly, placing a floor on deductions would have the effect of ending a major portion of these donations.

The American people are the most generous people on earth. Part of the reason is that the United States Government supports and encourages charitable donations through comprehensive deductions. I encourage you to continue to allow Americans to maintain their leadership in charitable donation by keeping the deductions for charitable donations as comprehensive as possible.

Sincerely,

James Craig Pickard

President, A Mothers Wish Foundation.

