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PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY
PANEL
ON FEDERAL TAX REFORM

President's Advisory Panel
1440 New York Ave. NW Suite 2100
Washington, DC 20220

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RE: Comments for the Tax Reform Panel

Dear Sir or Madam,

Abolish the federal income tax. Replace it with the Fair Tax (H.R. 25).

No amount of bracket adjustments, targeted exemptions, "Paperwork Reduction Acts", taxpayer advocates, H&R Block offices or other fantasies will salvage this abomination.

The income tax annually outrages tens of millions of Americans. It imposes pointless, long-term, recordkeeping obligations. It penalizes hard work and contradicts the work ethic. It causes special-interest politics. It distorts the very nature of a free-market economy. It forces us to abandon our Fourth and Fifth Amendment rights by requiring our signature on a 1040.

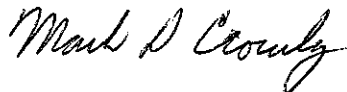
What's worse is that income tax collection has become an integral part of crippling our prosperity and freedoms. It silently facilitates out-of-control government spending. The exponential increase in monitoring citizens has little to do with tracking terrorists to seize their funds. Instead, it has much to do with monitoring honest Americans to seize their incomes.

In place of the income tax should be the Fair Tax (H.R. 25). If enacted, the annual aggravation is gone. Hard work and the work ethic aren't penalized. Everybody makes more economic decisions and fewer accounting decisions. And we won't see the IRS or its unconstitutional mandates.

I urge you to recommend replacing the income tax with the Fair Tax.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely yours,



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