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Dear Tax Panel Members,

I support the FairTax, HR 25 and SB 25.

Please, do not let politics get in the way of good public policy. Good tax policy should distribute the tax burden fairly so that every citizen can know their contribution and take pride in doing their part. It should also be understandable and transparent so that there are no winners and losers based on the political whims of the day.

The simplicity of the FairTax elevates the average citizens' ability to create their own financial future without the gnawing uncertainty of the current tax code. The complexity of the current system and any VAT tax that hides the true tax burden from the average consumer is dishonest and not in line with American values.

Some uninformed opponents to the FairTax say "the poor will pay more than their fair share under the FairTax." This is untrue. The poor are being taxed now with regressive payroll taxes, embedded taxes and the added costs to businesses when hiring them. Under the FairTax, helping the poor is as simple as raising the poverty level. **This is the elephant in the elevator that nobody wants to recognize.**

Under the FairTax, Politicians will have to stand up and say where poverty begins and that the government should not take from those that are under this level. They will also be forced to set the tax rate for every dollar spent over the poverty level and justify it to their constituents. The compliance burdens of today's tax code, which are tremendous, will pale in comparison to the burden of proof Washington will have to muster if they try to pick winners and losers under the FairTax.

The real objection our opponents have, is the **clarity** that the FairTax brings to our tax system and helping the poor. The FairTax is better for the poor because it is honest, simple and much less burdensome than today's horrific tax code. Our elected officials in Washington won't be able to pick winners and losers under the FairTax as they do now under the complex, hidden and unfair tax code. I understand the FairTax, as will millions of Americans, because it is simple and fair.

Everyone knows why the current tax system is broken. It was written and changed for the protection of the few versus millions of American taxpayers. Help America by being honest with us and letting us see the cost of taxation everyday with every purchase.

The American taxpayer can handle the responsibility of funding our government under the FairTax. The only question is, "Can Washington?"

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