

TAX RELIEF COALITION

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Honorable Nancy Pelosi, Speaker
U.S. House of Representatives

Honorable John Boehner, Minority Leader
U.S. House of Representatives

Honorable Harry Reid, Majority Leader
U.S. Senate

Honorable Mitch McConnell, Minority Leader
U.S. Senate

Dear Leaders:

On behalf of the 1,000 members of the Tax Relief Coalition (TRC) and the 1.8 million businesses they represent, we commend the bi-partisan Leadership in both Houses of Congress for your public statements in support of enactment of a short-term economic stimulus package.

We support the principles for an economic stimulus effort announced by the President last week, and believe that a legislative package should be enacted quickly, and should include temporary measures to restore consumer confidence in the economy and in government. We also support measures such as bonus depreciation and increased first-year small business expensing to encourage business investment and job creation. Further, to ensure its swift enactment, this legislation should include no tax increases or permanent government programmatic changes.

While TRC believes that a temporary, timely and broad-based stimulus package is necessary in the near term, the Coalition remains fully committed to make permanent the tax provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, and to enact a reduction in the corporate income tax rate to allow U.S. companies to be competitive in world markets.

The President and Leaders in Congress are right to respond quickly and affirmatively to the slowing economy to reassure Americans that their government is acting proactively to ensure sustained economic growth. TRC stands ready to work with the Congress in support of this effort.

Very sincerely yours,

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Hon. Max Baucus, Chairman, Senate Committee on Finance
Hon. Charles Grassley, Ranking Member, Senate Committee on Finance

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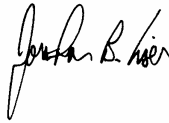
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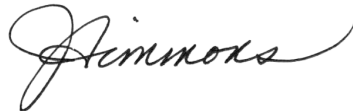
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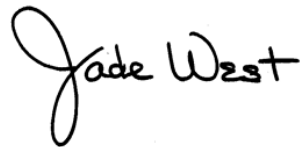
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