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July 23, 2012

Speaker Boehner
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Dear Speaker Boehner,

The undersigned members of the U.S. House of Representatives are eager to join in your efforts to prevent any tax increases in 2013 by passing an extension of current tax policy this month. In addition to passing this tax extension package, we also urge you to bring Congressman Brady's "Death Tax Repeal Permanency Act" to the floor for a vote before November. Congressman Brady's "Death Tax Repeal Permanency Act of 2011" has been consistently gaining cosponsors since it was offered last March and the legislation is approaching 218 bi-partisan cosponsors, including 19 of 22 Republicans that sit on the House Committee on Ways and Means. Repealing the death tax is a priority to every member of the House currently cosponsoring the Death Tax Repeal Permanency Act. Also, the language from H.R. 1259 was adopted in several other pieces of popular legislation, including the "Jobs Through Growth Act" and the RSC's FY 2013 budget.

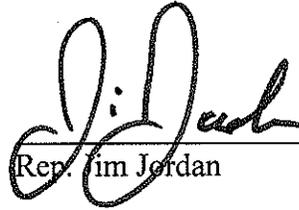
Over 140 incumbents have signed a pledge to push hard towards full repeal of the death tax. To show our constituents that full repeal is always the ultimate goal for Republicans, we ought to be voting every year to repeal the tax. Our constituents deserve to know that the Republicans will vote to save their family businesses and their farms and will fight against the Democratic position of a 55% death tax in 2013 with more than a close compromise. Family businesses and farms should not be destroyed every year to collect less than 1% of revenue for the federal government. In this tough economy, repealing the death tax is a quick way to add jobs and save businesses from dissolution. The large majority of Americans would like to see the tax repealed because they instinctively feel that it is unfair.

The death tax is just one example of how Democrats demonize job creators and hurt the main engine of the US economy - the family business sector. Americans are tired of divisiveness and politics - our constituents want more jobs and common sense tax policy that does not impose a

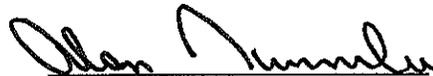
double or triple tax at death. Passing HR 1259 through the House of Representatives will present a clear cut choice to voters: support the Republican plan to bury the death tax or support Democrats' plan to hike the death tax to a crushing 55% rate or higher. We look forward to working together with you to give this important issue the attention and vote that it deserves.

Respectfully,

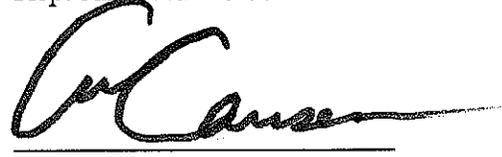

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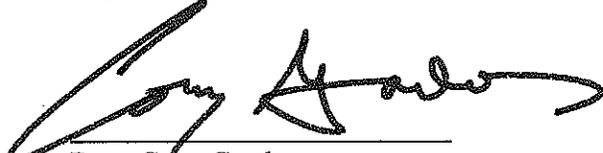

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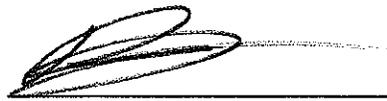

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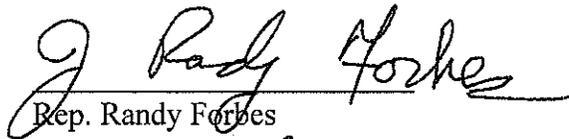

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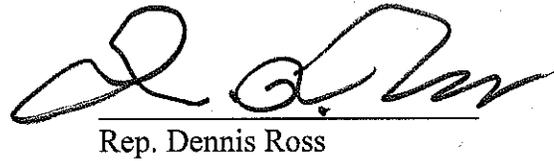
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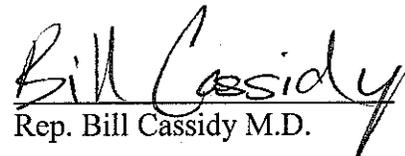
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