RE: comments on proposed tax changes

Please consider this email as an opposition comment to the proposed deduction limits and charitable giving limitations.

I oppose to this as a member of the nonprofit community who has been responsible for an annual budget revenue line of one million in private donations derived from our local community the past seven years—which I have managed to successfully deliver—even in this depressed economy. One of the tools I utilize to help donors and supporters make a decision on if they choose to give is the benefit of a tax deduction.

I am opposed to any limits on deductions on a personal level. My husband and I are on a strict budget due to four weeks unpaid furlough from my work source and a temporary layoff from his job (due to no work available) the past three months. He's been employed over 20 years with his current employee. We live a modest life style, vehicles are ten years old, and we do not travel, entertain, or go out for food or entertainment. We continue to try to manage our finances with a shrinking pool of income, rising cost of living expenses, skyrocketing out of pocket health care expense—quite frankly we are losing ground and are not interested in giving more to a government with whom we have no confidence in managing their expense.

Please do not take away deductions—I would encourage you to spend time scrutinizing government expenses rather than obtaining additional revenues while a general populace is making due with drastically less.

These comments while sent from my work email are not endorsed as a work related statement. This is my personal view.

Thank you for the opportunity to share my comments.

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