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To Whom It May Concern,

We, the taxpayers, urge our government—at all levels—to take a serious and honest look at its own financial practices before continuing to place the burden on hard-working citizens. For far too long, we have witnessed inefficient spending, bloated budgets, and unnecessary programs siphon away funds that could be better used or saved altogether.

The solution to budget shortfalls should not begin with raising taxes or creating new ones. It should begin with a thorough audit of existing government expenditures. Every agency and department must be held to the same standard of accountability that is expected of private citizens and businesses. Redundant programs, mismanaged funds, and excessive administrative costs must be identified and corrected. Waste must not be accepted as a permanent feature of governance. We demand transparency. We demand responsibility. And we demand that the government leads by example—managing its finances with the same care and discipline it asks of its citizens. Do not balance the budget on the backs of those already working tirelessly to make ends meet.

The answer is not to take more from the people, especially those earning under a fair threshold, but to fix what is broken from within. Audit your budgets. Cut what doesn't work. Optimize what does. And most of all, respect the contributions of the taxpayers by making every dollar count.

Respectfully,

Concerned Taxpayers