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December 12, 2017

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
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The Honorable Chuck Schumer
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The Honorable Paul Ryan
Speaker of the House
H-232 United States Capitol
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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
House Minority Leader
H-204 United States Capitol
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Dear Leader McConnell, Speaker Ryan, Leader Schumer, Leader Pelosi and Conferees,

I write to express serious concerns with the House and Senate passed tax reform proposals which, as written, could leave many constituents in my district facing significant tax increases. As the Conference Committee works toward a final package, I ask that changes be made to ensure that the final plan will bring relief for all of our nation's taxpayers – California residents included.

It's been more than three decades since we've overhauled our tax code. We have a once-in-a-generation opportunity to deliver real reprieve from years of heavy-handed, misguided tax policy that has left millions paying more to their government and getting less in return. We must not squander this moment by passing a bill that does not allow all hard-working taxpayers to see relief.

Done correctly, tax reform has the potential to restore America's global competitiveness, generate widespread economic opportunity, unleash untold levels of job creation, and allow families to keep even more of their hard-earned paychecks. Done poorly, a tax bill would pick winners and losers, and unnecessarily punish some taxpayers to the benefit of others.

As its written today, I fear the bill looks more like the latter than the former.

Californians already endure some of the highest housing costs, the highest state sales taxes, the highest state income taxes, and the highest gas prices in the nation. They've been buried under the weight of high state tax and regulatory burdens which, together, have made it increasingly difficult to get ahead.

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Yes, the tax factory known as the California State Legislature is the root cause of the problem. But my constituents did not ask me – or any Republican for that matter – to vote to make their tax burden even worse.

The House and Senate tax reform proposals do not guarantee relief for constituents in my district, and in fact, may result in a net increase in their financial liability to the federal government. Among the plan's deficiencies is the elimination of the State and Local Tax Deduction (SALT) which since the advent of our federal income tax has prevented the double taxation of Americans' income and allowed states to operate as laboratories of experiment as our founders intended. Eliminating this important deduction would be a mistake that would undo years of precedent that, in our federalist system, has said that the federal government may calculate its tax liability only after state and local taxes have first been deducted.

Unlike other states – Wisconsin and Kentucky, for example – California is a donor state, meaning it gets back less from the federal government than it pays in. Without changes to this plan, taxpayers in my state will continue being asked to pay even more only to subsidize benefits for citizens elsewhere.

Furthermore, as devastating wildfires continue to ravage our state, it would be unthinkable to do away with important and much-needed relief for constituents who've lost their homes, property and livelihoods. We must ensure that those who've already lost so much, won't be left without the important relief they need to rebuild and restore their lives. I know Majority Leader McCarthy and others are working diligently to address this concern by the end of the year, but we must ensure disaster relief is not weakened through this tax bill.

I implore the Conference Committee to include these proposals, as many of the cities I represent suggest in the enclosed letters. We have the opportunity to make the tax code work for all Americans. Now, let's get the details right.

Sincerely,



Darrell Issa
Member of Congress

Enclosures: Letters from California cities in CA-49 regarding tax reform proposals and SALT repeal.

cc: Senator Orrin Hatch
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CITY OF OCEANSIDE

November 8, 2017

The Honorable Darrell Issa
U.S. House of Representatives
2269 Rayburn House Office Building
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RE: STATE AND LOCAL TAX DEDUCTION (SALT)

Dear Congressman Issa,

On behalf of the City of Oceanside, I urge you and your colleagues in Congress to include the continuation of the state and local tax deductions (SALT) as part of the Congress' tax overhaul bill.

While our community appreciates the opportunities and economic growth that tax reform could bring, the federal deduction for state and local taxes is vital to financing and maintaining our infrastructure and creating the kind of community we enjoy living in. As you know, local governments are responsible for building, operating, and maintaining most of the infrastructure in our communities, like water, wastewater, and roads. On average, state and local governments contribute 80% of the cost of infrastructure projects, while the federal government contributes just 20%. Local governments, however, have very limited ways to raise those funds—primarily real property taxes. The SALT deduction supports the way states and localities budget for and provide critical public services and make investments that support infrastructure.

According to a recent report "The Impact of Eliminating the State and Local Tax Deduction" by the Government Finance Officers Association, 34% of California residents use the SALT Deduction averaging \$18,437. If the SALT deduction were eliminated, assuming a 25% marginal tax rate, an average taxpayer in California who currently itemizes SALT would face a tax increase of almost \$5,500. In your congressional district specifically, data shows 35% of residents use the SALT Deduction averaging \$16,524 and if eliminated, these taxpayers would face a tax increase of \$5,776. Eliminating the SALT deduction will subject our shared constituents to double taxation and U.S. taxpayers should not be taxed twice on the same income.

Additionally, the City of Oceanside opposes the elimination of Private Activity Bonds which are used to encourage investment in both business and infrastructure. Elimination would have significant, negative impacts of the State of California, as these monies are used to fund critical infrastructure. If these bonds are eliminated, projects will either not go forward or cities would be forced to borrow at much higher interest rates and job creation will suffer.

We understand that to achieve the goal of tax reform—growing the economy—it is essential to consider the impact any change will have on the bottom lines of cities like Oceanside and other local jurisdictions. Finally, if Private Activity Bonds are eliminated, job creation will slow and deferred infrastructure maintenance will increase.

Sincerely,


Jim Wood
MAYOR



December 8, 2017

Honorable Darrel Issa
United States House of Representatives
2269 Rayburn House Office Building
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Dear Congressman Issa,

On behalf of the City of Carlsbad, I am writing to ask you to preserve the full state and local tax deduction (SALT) in considering H.R. 1, the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

Cities and states currently use the revenues from property, sales and income taxes to budget for and help finance infrastructure projects, local law enforcement, emergency services, education costs, and more. If SALT is eliminated, the net cost of local taxes will go up significantly for our residents, as they will be encumbered by the need to pay federal taxes on the local income and property taxes they are already paying.

This will have negative consequences, creating pressure to reduce local taxes and making it more difficult to pass future tax levies, which are crucial to maintaining essential public services.

Please join the City of Carlsbad in supporting full retention of the SALT deduction.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Matt Hall'.

Matt Hall
Mayor

cc: Carlsbad City Council
Catherine Hill, League of California Cities



December 8, 2017

Dear California Congressional Members:

As elected officials in the State of California, we write to urge you to consider and adopt the provisions of a proposal submitted by Representatives Lance and Gottheimer to improve the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (H.R. 1).

While we are grateful that certain key priorities for cities — including the tax exemption for publicly issued municipal bonds — were protected in both versions of the bill, we remain deeply concerned that provisions found in both versions will have tremendous repercussions for cities.

The Lance-Gottheimer proposal offers a bipartisan solution to resolve many of our concerns.

The proposal offers a reasonable balance of pro-growth tax reforms and preservation of the existing pro-growth policies and tools, including the state and local tax (SALT) deduction and bonds. **We urge Congress to support this proposal as it would:**

- **Fully reinstate the state and local tax (SALT) deduction.** As currently prescribed in both versions of the bill, eliminating or capping the federal deductibility for state and local property, sales and income taxes would represent double taxation, as these taxes are mandatory payments for all taxpayers. More than 43 million American taxpayers in all 50 states claim this deduction, which is currently the most used deduction by the federal taxpayers. Of these claimants, nearly 87% have an adjusted gross income (AGI) under \$200,000. States and local governments deploy revenues from state and local property, sales and income taxes to help finance local law enforcement, emergency services, education costs, long term infrastructure projects, and many other services.
- **Fully protect the tax exemption on Private Activity Bonds (PABs).** Tax-exempt private activity bonds (“PABs”) represent a critical source of financing for important qualified projects and programs, including infrastructure, affordable housing, economic development, the funding and refinancing of student loans, and much more. PABs help spur private investment and allow state and local governments to harness the private sector’s experience and expertise toward public projects and initiatives, and therefore should be preserved and enhanced.

California cities cannot afford the current versions of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (H.R. 1) passed by both chambers. We believe that the Lance-Gottheimer proposal is a feat for bipartisanship and a major step in the right direction toward creating a simpler, fairer tax code.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us directly or Carolyn Coleman, Executive Director, League of California Cities at 916-658-8200 or ccoleman@cacities.org.

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