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RYAN STATEMENT ON ‘TAX DAY’

House Budget Committee Ranking Member Paul Ryan (R-WI) today reiterated his concerns on the future of America’s federal tax burden.

“Today, millions of American families – already short on time and money – are scrambling to meet the tax-filing deadline. Meanwhile in Washington, their Congress is planning ways to dig even deeper into their paychecks in the future.

“Today, the Democratic Majority is working to push through a budget conference report that will impose on American workers and businesses the largest tax increase in our nation’s history.

“But that’s just for starters. Because the Democratic budget abandons any kind of spending control – ballooning spending across-the-board, refusing to clean up Congressional pork, and worst, failing to address the looming entitlement crisis – it is forcing our nation down a path of tax increases that will dwarf what is already required by their budget.

“I do not believe Americans want – or can afford—this cycle of ever-higher spending, chased by ever-higher taxes. If we stay on this irresponsible path, the next generation will be left with a tax burden twice as high as we face today.

“Americans deserve better, and I am optimistic we can rise to meet the challenges before us. We must support policies that encourage economic growth and job creation – not hinder them. And we must begin now to reform our major entitlements to make them more sound, more resilient, and more in line with the character of the 21st century.

“On this Tax Day, as Americans struggle to meet the tax-filing deadline, it is my hope their nation's federal government, starting with Congress, will show the same commitment to keeping their tax low, and our own spending under control.”

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