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Rep. Mickey Edwards
House of Representatives
2434 Rayburn Bldg.,
Washington, D.C., 20515

Dear Sir:

The tax overhaul as approved by the Senate has me deeply concerned. It was reported that Senator Packwood became very emotional and almost broke down when the bill cleared the Senate. Indeed Mr. Packwood should have shed a tear as he and his cohorts had just buried Middle Income Taxpayers.

I am enclosing an estimate of tax distribution (Senate's version) by income group, prepared by the Joint Committee on Taxation. This article appeared in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram on June 25, 1986. It seems to me the Senate's message is "STICK-EM UP MIDDLE INCOME TAXPAYERS".

I sincerely hope, Mr. Edwards, that the House will act swiftly to give middle income a break - we have carried the burden long enough.

Not only is the tax burden heavy - but where the majority of the money is going is also beginning to gnaw at ones soul. Today, July 1, 1986, on the 12:00 P.M. news on a local TV Station here in Oklahoma City, a very sad story was aired. A farmer from Hinton, Okla was evicted from his farm..his home..his life. Surrounding the home were numerous lawmen, all bearing arms. The farmer stood by, helpless, as the lawmen stripped him even of his personal possessions. 'I thought, My God, is this America.' This man borrowed money from the Federal Government and obviously was unable to repay the loan - but then Mexico recently could not repay their loan nor could they pay the interest due on the loan - so the good ole USA hurries down and gives them \$8 Million more to play with. Shultz just took \$200 Million to Mrs. Aquino - her executive aid said it was not 'aid money' it was rental money for the two bases we occupy in the Phillippines. The US gave hard earned tax dollars to the Marcos family and made them billionaires - even worse they closed their eyes to the squalor that thousands of Phillippino people lived in and probably still live in. The Marcos family is still on our payroll. The \$100 Million

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recently voted to be sent to the rebels in Nicaragua will probably meet the same fate.

I believe it is time for all TAXPAYERS in the U.S. to stand up and say 'ENOUGH IS ENOUGH'. Why not take our money and bail our farmers out, for they are the backbone of America. Why not take the major load of the taxes off the backs of the Middle Income - if not, the farmers and middle income Americans will become as extinct as the bald eagle and then who will the poor foreigners turn to.

I would sincerely hope you read this letter - consider its contents and then vote to pass the tax burden around more evenly and remember 'CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME'.

Sincerely,

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