

DRAFT LETTER

Dear **CONGRESSMAN/SENATOR** \_\_\_\_\_:

As your constituent, I have serious concerns about proposals that could be considered by the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction during deficit reduction negotiations with the potential to severely impact federal employees.

Federal employees are doing their part to lower government costs and have already made personal sacrifices by accepting a two-year pay freeze that will result in \$60 billion in savings over the next 10 years. As a federal employee who works at the **[LIST YOUR AGENCY]**, I understand the notion of shared sacrifice, but federal employees cannot be expected to shoulder all of the burden to balance the budget. Obviously, federal employees did not create the budget crisis, but there are several proposals circulating that unfairly target federal employees like me.

I hope that you will reject these anti-federal worker proposals. As federal workers, **[LIST JOB DESCRIPTIONS AND AGENCY DUTIES HERE]**. As such, I urge you and members of the Joint Committee to oppose any proposals seeking to decrease the pay and retirement/health benefits on which federal employees, including me and my family, have come to rely.