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The Honorable
John Yarmuth, Chairman
Committee on the Budget
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Dear Chairman Yarmuth:

I appreciate your measured leadership and sincere desire to work with Republicans on the Committee in developing budgetary policy. We must continue to work together to ensure congressional budget resolutions are thoroughly debated and put together in a way that prioritizes American families and workers.

Earlier this year, congressional Democrats rammed through Congress a budget resolution for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 that did not merit nor receive broad bipartisan support. As you know, this budget resolution included a number of budget reconciliation directives which laid the groundwork for Democrats to enact the highest federal government spending total in history. This spending, in turn, has led to dramatic inflation, driving up the cost of grocery goods, gasoline, and other everyday necessities. In fact, consumer prices have increased this year at a rate not seen since the 2008 financial crisis. Clearly, a more modest and bipartisan approach to budgeting would benefit not only our nation's long-term fiscal path, but also the pocketbooks of American workers and families struggling under the Biden economy.

Following the poorly run and overly partisan process of the FY 2021 budget in February, you committed to Budget Committee Members in a hearing on February 9 that you would ensure your Committee's Members would have an opportunity to markup a FY 2022 budget resolution, with a full debate and amendment process. It is my hope and expectation that your commitment to all Budget Committee Members is upheld and that Republicans and Democrats on the Committee may seek to work together on behalf of the American people.

I look forward to working with you toward this end.

Sincerely,



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