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The Honorable Don Young  
House of Representatives  
2314 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

RE: HR 928 Repeal the Health Insurance Tax

Dear Representative Young:

On behalf of the National Federation of Independent Business/Alaska, I wish to respectfully share our support for HR 928. The National Federation of Independent Business is the largest small-business advocacy group in Alaska.

We appreciate your willingness to be a co-sponsor of this important piece of legislation that will repeal the health insurance tax (HIT).

Obamacare assesses a tax on all health insurance companies based on their "net premiums" written. These new taxes fall directly on small businesses as they are in the insured market and are not large enough to be self-insured. Insurers and economists have consistently agreed throughout the healthcare debate that these taxes on insurers inevitably mean added costs for customers. The group that experiences the most cost shifting is the fully insured market.

The health insurance tax is simply one more government action that makes it more difficult for small businesses to offer health benefits to their employees.

Again, we offer our sincere thanks for helping small businesses in Alaska.

Sincerely yours,



Dennis L. DeWitt  
Alaska State Director

Cc: NFIB/AK Leadership Council  
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