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The Honorable Steven T. Mnuchin
Secretary
Department of the Treasury
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20220

The Honorable Charles P. Rettig
Commissioner
Internal Revenue Service
1111 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20224


Dear Secretary Mnuchin and Commissioner Rettig:

I write to commend you for the work that Treasury and IRS have done so far in delivering the Economic Impact Payments (EIPs) authorized by Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to eligible Americans. As of May 18, Treasury and IRS have already delivered more than 140 million Economic Impact Payments, or stimulus checks. However, millions of eligible American citizens are still waiting to receive their stimulus checks. As you continue to deliver these payments, I urge you to prioritize eligible Americans receiving Social Security Disability Insurance, Supplemental Security Income, or Social Security who have yet to receive their payments.

Many Americans urgently need this money to pay their rent, health care bills, and make other expenses they face during the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic. Americans on fixed incomes, who often already struggle to make ends meet, are also feeling the impact from increases in the price of groceries resulting from supply shortages and often have no way to generate additional income. While many of these individuals have already received their stimulus payments, making sure that no one falls through the cracks should be a top priority.

We thank you again for all that you are doing to help Americans during this difficult time, and for your prompt consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



STEVE DAINES
United States Senator