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Dear Friends,

As we enter the second session of the 113th Congress, I want to hear from you about the issues you think are important in the coming year and what I can do to help address them.

Last month, Congress passed the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013, the first budget agreement passed by a divided Congress since 1986. I had pressed for the agreement to be more robust, but in the end found great value in passing a bipartisan piece of legislation that addresses the long-term spending of your taxpayer dollars. This was an important first step in tackling our massive \$17 trillion debt and improving oversight of how American tax dollars are spent.

Our economy continues to recover, but many are still out of work or are living paycheck to paycheck. I am committed to passing responsible legislation that will create jobs and remove the undue burdens the federal government has put in place that stifle economic growth and new hiring.

But I want your input as I continue to represent you in 2014. Please take a few minutes to give me your thoughts by completing my online survey below.

If you haven't already, be sure to like my [Facebook page](#), follow me on Twitter ([@RepHultgren](#)), or check out my [YouTube page](#) to stay informed on everything I'm doing on your behalf in Washington and in Illinois.

As always, thank you for the honor and privilege of serving you.

In Your Service,

Randy Hultgren
Member of Congress
14th District, Illinois

Constituent Survey 2014

Please take a few minutes to answer the survey below. I look forward to hearing from you!

Do you support the bipartisan budget agreement that passed in December to fund the government for two years?

- Yes
 No
 Not sure

Do you think your share of the federal tax burden is:

- Too high
 Too low
 Satisfactory

Compared to last year, do you think your income is falling behind or keeping up with your monthly costs?

- Falling behind
 Keeping up
 Not sure

Do you believe increased government regulation on business will:

- Protect workers and allow businesses to hire and grow
- Stifle the economy and businesses' ability to expand and hire new employees
- Have little to no effect on the economy

Do you think federal agencies like the IRS and NSA have:

- Too little power
- Too much power
- Not sure

Do you support the President's health care law?

- Yes
- Yes, but I'm not happy with the increase in premium rates
- Yes, but I'm not happy about losing my doctor
- No, government intrusion in the health insurance marketplace is causing rates to rise
- No, government intrusion in the health insurance marketplace caused my employer to drop coverage
- No, but we need an alternative
- Not sure

In the next year, do you expect your cost of health insurance to:

- Increase
- Decrease
- Stay the same
- I don't have health insurance

What do you think the President's top priority in 2014 should be?

- Reversing the damage of the healthcare law
- Improving our national security and standing in the world
- Introducing a fully paid-for extension of unemployment benefits
- Reducing our deficit and debt
- Bringing transparency to the White House and NSA
- Signing House-passed legislation to create jobs
- Reforming our immigration system
- Reducing government regulation
- Making college more affordable for students

What do you think is the most pressing issue facing veterans today?

- Backlog in disability claims
- Delayed doctor visits
- Level of benefits
- Inadequate access to mental health care
- Transitioning into civilian workforce after service

Do you support Illinois' new law to deal with the state pension crisis?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

I sit on the House Financial Services Committee which oversees much of the banking, investment and loan industries. In the next year, which of the following activities do you plan to engage in?

- Buy home or add an addition
- Buy a car
- Begin or pay off student loans
- Open a new line of credit
- Plan for retirement
- Purchase a home, car or life insurance policy
- Open a new bank account
- Borrow for healthcare purposes

Of the following issues, which two are the most important to you?

- Jobs and the economy
- Healthcare/Affordable Care Act
- Tax reform
- Immigration
- Agricultural production
- National security
- Transparency and government abuse
- Education
- Federal budget
- Transportation and infrastructure
- Pensions and retirement security
- Other

What is your preferred way to receive news from me?

- E-mail newsletter
- Social media (Twitter/Facebook)
- In-person meeting
- Visiting the website (Hultgren.house.gov)
- Traditional mail

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