

The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR ALABAMA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Alabama hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

ALABAMA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Alabama family of four (earning \$63,400) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Alabama families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE ALABAMA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 230,200 in Alabama – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT ALABAMA'S ECONOMY

Alabama's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.8 percentage points in Alabama.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Alabama could spend nearly \$2.9 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR ALASKA

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ALASKA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Alaska family of four (earning \$86,600) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Alaska families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE ALASKA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 35,400 in Alaska – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT ALASKA'S ECONOMY

Alaska's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.1 percentage points in Alaska.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Alaska could spend nearly \$0.6 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR ARIZONA

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ARIZONA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Arizona family of four (earning \$59,800) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Arizona families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE ARIZONA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 302,800 in Arizona – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT ARIZONA'S ECONOMY

Arizona's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.5 percentage points in Arizona.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Arizona could spend nearly \$3.8 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR ARKANSAS

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ARKANSAS CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Arkansas family of four (earning \$55,400) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Arkansas families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE ARKANSAS'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 130,100 in Arkansas – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT ARKANSAS'S ECONOMY

Arkansas's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.7 percentage points in Arkansas.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Arkansas could spend nearly \$1.7 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR CALIFORNIA

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CALIFORNIA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income California family of four (earning \$74,100) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of California families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE CALIFORNIA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 1,576,900 in California – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT CALIFORNIA'S ECONOMY

California's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.2 percentage points in California.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in California could spend nearly \$23.5 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR COLORADO

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COLORADO CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Colorado family of four (earning \$85,000) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Colorado families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE COLORADO'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 248,200 in Colorado – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT COLORADO'S ECONOMY

Colorado's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.3 percentage points in Colorado.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Colorado could spend nearly \$3.4 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR CONNECTICUT

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Connecticut hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

CONNECTICUT CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A typical Connecticut family of four (earning \$86,000) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 96 percent of Connecticut families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE CONNECTICUT'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 181,700 in Connecticut – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT CONNECTICUT'S ECONOMY

Connecticut's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.1 percentage points in Connecticut.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Connecticut could spend nearly \$2.5 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR DELAWARE

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Delaware hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

DELAWARE CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Delaware family of four (earning \$83,400) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Delaware families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE DELAWARE'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 50,100 in Delaware – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT DELAWARE'S ECONOMY

Delaware's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 0.9 percentage points in Delaware.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Delaware could spend nearly \$0.6 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income the District of Columbia family of four (earning \$76,200) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 96 percent of The District of Columbia families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 18,900 in the District of Columbia – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA'S ECONOMY

The District of Columbia's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 0.4 percentage points in the District of Columbia.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in the District of Columbia could spend nearly \$0.4 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR FLORIDA

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FLORIDA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Florida family of four (earning \$63,900) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Florida families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE FLORIDA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 985,600 in Florida – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

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Florida's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.9 percentage points in Florida.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Florida could spend nearly \$13.5 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR GEORGIA

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GEORGIA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Georgia family of four (earning \$65,900) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Georgia families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

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The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 458,900 in Georgia – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

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Georgia's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.5 percentage points in Georgia.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Georgia could spend nearly \$6.2 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR HAWAII

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HAWAII CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Hawaii family of four (earning \$83,000) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Hawaii families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE HAWAII'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 68,900 in Hawaii – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

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Hawaii's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.4 percentage points in Hawaii.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Hawaii could spend nearly \$0.9 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR IDAHO

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IDAHO CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Idaho family of four (earning \$61,100) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Idaho families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE IDAHO'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 76,700 in Idaho – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

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Idaho's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.6 percentage points in Idaho.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Idaho could spend nearly \$0.9 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR ILLINOIS

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Illinois hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

ILLINOIS CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Illinois family of four (earning \$79,100) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Illinois families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE ILLINOIS'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 581,300 in Illinois – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT ILLINOIS'S ECONOMY

Illinois's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.3 percentage points in Illinois.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Illinois could spend nearly \$8.5 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR INDIANA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Indiana hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

INDIANA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Indiana family of four (earning \$69,300) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Indiana families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE INDIANA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 303,200 in Indiana – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT INDIANA'S ECONOMY

Indiana's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.6 percentage points in Indiana.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Indiana could spend nearly \$4.1 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR IOWA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Iowa hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

IOWA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Iowa family of four (earning \$76,800) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Iowa families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE IOWA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 170,500 in Iowa – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT IOWA'S ECONOMY

Iowa's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.4 percentage points in Iowa.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Iowa could spend nearly \$1.9 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR KANSAS

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Kansas hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

KANSAS CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Kansas family of four (earning \$74,900) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Kansas families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE KANSAS'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 138,800 in Kansas – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT KANSAS'S ECONOMY

Kansas's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.4 percentage points in Kansas.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Kansas could spend nearly \$1.8 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR KENTUCKY

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Kentucky hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

KENTUCKY CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Kentucky family of four (earning \$66,400) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Kentucky families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE KENTUCKY'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 208,100 in Kentucky – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT KENTUCKY'S ECONOMY

Kentucky's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.7 percentage points in Kentucky.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Kentucky could spend nearly \$2.6 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR LOUISIANA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Louisiana hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

LOUISIANA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Louisiana family of four (earning \$68,900) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Louisiana families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE LOUISIANA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 220,300 in Louisiana – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT LOUISIANA'S ECONOMY

Louisiana's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.2 percentage points in Louisiana.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Louisiana could spend nearly \$2.8 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR MAINE

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Maine hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

MAINE CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Maine family of four (earning \$78,300) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Maine families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE MAINE'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 82,200 in Maine – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT MAINE'S ECONOMY

Maine's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.8 percentage points in Maine.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Maine could spend nearly \$0.9 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR MARYLAND

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Maryland hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

MARYLAND CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A typical Maryland family of four (earning \$86,000) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Maryland families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE MARYLAND'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 287,400 in Maryland – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT MARYLAND'S ECONOMY

Maryland's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.4 percentage points in Maryland.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Maryland could spend nearly \$3.9 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR MASSACHUSETTS

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Massachusetts hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

MASSACHUSETTS CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A typical Massachusetts family of four (earning \$86,000) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 97 percent of Massachusetts families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE MASSACHUSETTS'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 346,200 in Massachusetts – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT MASSACHUSETTS'S ECONOMY

Massachusetts's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.2 percentage points in Massachusetts.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Massachusetts could spend nearly \$4.6 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR MICHIGAN

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Michigan hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

MICHIGAN CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Michigan family of four (earning \$72,400) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Michigan families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE MICHIGAN'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 437,500 in Michigan – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT MICHIGAN'S ECONOMY

Michigan's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.7 percentage points in Michigan.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Michigan could spend nearly \$6.4 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR MINNESOTA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Minnesota hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

MINNESOTA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A typical Minnesota family of four (earning \$86,000) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Minnesota families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE MINNESOTA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 278,700 in Minnesota – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT MINNESOTA'S ECONOMY

Minnesota's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.3 percentage points in Minnesota.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Minnesota could spend nearly \$3.6 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR MISSISSIPPI

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Mississippi hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

MISSISSIPPI CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Mississippi family of four (earning \$58,000) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Mississippi families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE MISSISSIPPI'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 131,300 in Mississippi – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT MISSISSIPPI'S ECONOMY

Mississippi's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.9 percentage points in Mississippi.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Mississippi could spend nearly \$1.8 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR MISSOURI

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Missouri hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

MISSOURI CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Missouri family of four (earning \$70,700) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Missouri families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE MISSOURI'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 298,200 in Missouri – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT MISSOURI'S ECONOMY

Missouri's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.6 percentage points in Missouri.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Missouri could spend nearly \$3.8 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR MONTANA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Montana hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

MONTANA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Montana family of four (earning \$65,700) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Montana families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE MONTANA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 53,900 in Montana – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT MONTANA'S ECONOMY

Montana's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.9 percentage points in Montana.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Montana could spend nearly \$0.7 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR NEBRASKA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Nebraska hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

NEBRASKA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Nebraska family of four (earning \$75,500) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Nebraska families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE NEBRASKA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 105,200 in Nebraska – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT NEBRASKA'S ECONOMY

Nebraska's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.4 percentage points in Nebraska.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Nebraska could spend nearly \$1.2 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR NEVADA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Nevada hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

NEVADA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Nevada family of four (earning \$65,200) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Nevada families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE NEVADA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 129,300 in Nevada – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT NEVADA'S ECONOMY

Nevada's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.5 percentage points in Nevada.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Nevada could spend nearly \$1.8 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in New Hampshire hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

NEW HAMPSHIRE CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A typical New Hampshire family of four (earning \$86,000) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of New Hampshire families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE NEW HAMPSHIRE'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 92,700 in New Hampshire – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT NEW HAMPSHIRE'S ECONOMY

New Hampshire's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.5 percentage points in New Hampshire.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in New Hampshire could spend nearly \$0.9 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR NEW JERSEY

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in New Jersey hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

NEW JERSEY CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A typical New Jersey family of four (earning \$86,000) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 97 percent of New Jersey families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE NEW JERSEY'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 447,300 in New Jersey – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT NEW JERSEY'S ECONOMY

New Jersey's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.3 percentage points in New Jersey.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in New Jersey could spend nearly \$6.2 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR NEW MEXICO

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in New Mexico hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

NEW MEXICO CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income New Mexico family of four (earning \$60,400) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of New Mexico families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE NEW MEXICO'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 89,000 in New Mexico – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT NEW MEXICO'S ECONOMY

New Mexico's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.6 percentage points in New Mexico.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in New Mexico could spend nearly \$1.2 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR NEW YORK

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in New York hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

NEW YORK CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income New York family of four (earning \$81,500) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 97 percent of New York families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE NEW YORK'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 915,400 in New York – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT NEW YORK'S ECONOMY

New York's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.2 percentage points in New York.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in New York could spend nearly \$13.2 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR NORTH CAROLINA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in North Carolina hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

NORTH CAROLINA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income North Carolina family of four (earning \$63,700) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of North Carolina families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE NORTH CAROLINA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 444,100 in North Carolina – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT NORTH CAROLINA'S ECONOMY

North Carolina's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.4 percentage points in North Carolina.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in North Carolina could spend nearly \$5.8 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR NORTH DAKOTA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in North Dakota hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

NORTH DAKOTA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income North Dakota family of four (earning \$84,900) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of North Dakota families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE NORTH DAKOTA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 46,100 in North Dakota – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT NORTH DAKOTA'S ECONOMY

North Dakota's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.2 percentage points in North Dakota.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in North Dakota could spend nearly \$0.4 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR OHIO

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Ohio hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

OHIO CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Ohio family of four (earning \$72,800) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Ohio families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE OHIO'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 563,300 in Ohio – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT OHIO'S ECONOMY

Ohio's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.7 percentage points in Ohio.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Ohio could spend nearly \$7.6 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR OKLAHOMA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Oklahoma hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

OKLAHOMA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Oklahoma family of four (earning \$63,100) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Oklahoma families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE OKLAHOMA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 174,600 in Oklahoma – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT OKLAHOMA'S ECONOMY

Oklahoma's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.5 percentage points in Oklahoma.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Oklahoma could spend nearly \$2.2 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR OREGON

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Oregon hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

OREGON CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Oregon family of four (earning \$66,000) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Oregon families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE OREGON'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 192,700 in Oregon – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT OREGON'S ECONOMY

Oregon's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.2 percentage points in Oregon.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Oregon could spend nearly \$2.5 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR PENNSYLVANIA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Pennsylvania hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

PENNSYLVANIA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Pennsylvania family of four (earning \$80,400) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Pennsylvania families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE PENNSYLVANIA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 637,400 in Pennsylvania – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT PENNSYLVANIA'S ECONOMY

Pennsylvania's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.6 percentage points in Pennsylvania.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Pennsylvania could spend nearly \$8.6 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR RHODE ISLAND

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Rhode Island hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

RHODE ISLAND CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Rhode Island family of four (earning \$82,100) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Rhode Island families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE RHODE ISLAND'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 45,000 in Rhode Island – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT RHODE ISLAND'S ECONOMY

Rhode Island's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.4 percentage points in Rhode Island.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Rhode Island could spend nearly \$0.7 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR SOUTH CAROLINA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in South Carolina hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

SOUTH CAROLINA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income South Carolina family of four (earning \$60,100) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of South Carolina families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE SOUTH CAROLINA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 225,500 in South Carolina – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT SOUTH CAROLINA'S ECONOMY

South Carolina's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.8 percentage points in South Carolina.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in South Carolina could spend nearly \$2.8 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR SOUTH DAKOTA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in South Dakota hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

SOUTH DAKOTA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income South Dakota family of four (earning \$72,500) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of South Dakota families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE SOUTH DAKOTA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 51,200 in South Dakota – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT SOUTH DAKOTA'S ECONOMY

South Dakota's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.5 percentage points in South Dakota.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in South Dakota could spend nearly \$0.6 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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The Middle-Class Tax Cuts' Impact on Consumer Spending and Retailers:

IMPACT FOR TENNESSEE

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Tennessee hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

TENNESSEE CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Tennessee family of four (earning \$63,700) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Tennessee families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE TENNESSEE'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 306,900 in Tennessee – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT TENNESSEE'S ECONOMY

Tennessee's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.6 percentage points in Tennessee.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Tennessee could spend nearly \$4 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR TEXAS

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Texas hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

TEXAS CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Texas family of four (earning \$65,900) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Texas families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE TEXAS'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 1,188,800 in Texas – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT TEXAS'S ECONOMY

Texas's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.2 percentage points in Texas.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Texas could spend nearly \$15.3 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR UTAH

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Utah hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

UTAH CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Utah family of four (earning \$65,200) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Utah families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE UTAH'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 140,700 in Utah – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT UTAH'S ECONOMY

Utah's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.3 percentage points in Utah.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Utah could spend nearly \$1.6 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR VERMONT

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Vermont hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

VERMONT CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Vermont family of four (earning \$84,000) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Vermont families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE VERMONT'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 37,900 in Vermont – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT VERMONT'S ECONOMY

Vermont's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.8 percentage points in Vermont.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Vermont could spend nearly \$0.4 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR VIRGINIA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Virginia hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

VIRGINIA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A typical Virginia family of four (earning \$86,000) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Virginia families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE VIRGINIA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 407,700 in Virginia – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT VIRGINIA'S ECONOMY

Virginia's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.3 percentage points in Virginia.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Virginia could spend nearly \$5.3 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR WASHINGTON

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Washington hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

WASHINGTON CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Washington family of four (earning \$81,600) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Washington families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE WASHINGTON'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 320,000 in Washington – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT WASHINGTON'S ECONOMY

Washington's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.3 percentage points in Washington.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Washington could spend nearly \$4.5 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR WEST VIRGINIA

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in West Virginia hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

WEST VIRGINIA CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income West Virginia family of four (earning \$65,400) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of West Virginia families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE WEST VIRGINIA'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 84,900 in West Virginia – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT WEST VIRGINIA'S ECONOMY

West Virginia's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.8 percentage points in West Virginia.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in West Virginia could spend nearly \$1.1 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR WISCONSIN

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Wisconsin hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

WISCONSIN CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Wisconsin family of four (earning \$79,600) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 99 percent of Wisconsin families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE WISCONSIN'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 290,600 in Wisconsin – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT WISCONSIN'S ECONOMY

Wisconsin's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1.6 percentage points in Wisconsin.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Wisconsin could spend nearly \$3.8 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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IMPACT FOR WYOMING

President Obama is committed to growing our economy from the middle out by ensuring a strong, secure, and thriving middle-class. Now we face a deadline that requires action on jobs, taxes and deficits by the end of the year. While the President is committed to working with Congress to reduce our deficit in a balanced and responsible way, there is no reason to hold the middle-class families in Wyoming hostage while we debate tax cuts for the highest income earners.

WYOMING CAN'T AFFORD TAX INCREASES ON MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES...

- A median-income Wyoming family of four (earning \$77,100) could see its income taxes rise by \$2,200.
- 98 percent of Wyoming families who make less than \$250,000 a year and would not see an income tax increase under the President's plan.

...BECAUSE MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES DRIVE WYOMING'S ECONOMY...

The bulk of economic activity comes from American families buying basic necessities like clothing and healthcare; durable goods like cars and furniture; and the food and gifts that millions will enjoy over the holiday season.

- **The retail industry employs 14.8 million Americans – including 30,200 in Wyoming – and has been a key part of the recovery.** In the 40 months since the recession ended in June 2009, the retail industry alone has been responsible for more than 9 percent of overall employment growth and has added 438,000 jobs in the past 32 months.
- **Over the course of this year, American consumers are on pace to spend around \$5 trillion on retail sales.** And with the start of the holiday shopping season, which accounts for close to one fifth of industry sales nationwide, retailers can't afford the threat of tax increases on middle-class families.

...WHICH IS WHY RAISING TAXES ON THE MIDDLE-CLASS WILL HURT WYOMING'S ECONOMY

Wyoming's economy can't afford that right now. New analysis by the President's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) finds that:

- **This sharp rise in middle-class taxes and the resulting decline in consumption could slow the growth of real GDP by 1. percentage points in Wyoming.**
- **Faced with these tax hikes, the CEA estimates that consumers in Wyoming could spend nearly \$0.3 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013 just because of higher taxes.** Consumers nationwide would likely spend nearly \$200 billion less than they otherwise would have in 2013.

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