



Thomas A. Schatz
President

February 6, 2013

U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative,

Today, the House of Representatives will vote on H.R. 444, the Require a PLAN Act, sponsored by Rep. Tom Price, M.D. (R-Ga.). On behalf of the more than one million members and supporters of the Council for Citizens Against Government Waste (CCAGW), I urge you to support this legislation.

H.R. 444 would require President Obama to submit a budget that would balance at some point during the 10-year budget window. Should his budget request not reach balance, President Obama would be required to submit a supplemental budget that shows when his budget request reaches balance. The supplemental shall display total level of outlays, total level of receipts, and the resulting deficit or surplus.

Taxpayers deserve to know how the President would balance the budget. At a time when the national debt has soared to \$16.4 trillion and will reach a projected \$22 trillion in the next 10 years, the White House cannot continue to simply make proposals that contain endless trillion-dollar deficits and skyrocketing debt.

It is time for President Obama to show how he would get the nation's fiscal house in order. I strongly urge you to support the Require a PLAN Act. All votes on H.R. 444 will be among those considered in CCAGW's *2013 Congressional Ratings*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas Schatz". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.