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U.S. Senate
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Dear Senator,

You will soon be considering the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year (FY) 2022, which provides for \$3.5 trillion in spending through FY 2031. The resolution provides for annual budget deficits that will average \$1.4 trillion, with the highest deficit of \$1.82 trillion in FY 2031. While outlays will increase by 34.6 percent, from \$4.7 trillion to \$6.3 trillion, the national debt will increase by 46 percent, from \$30.8 trillion to \$45.1 trillion.

To achieve this objective of creating the largest percentage of debt to GDP, the Democratic majority is proposing the largest and most intrusive expansion of the size and scope of the federal government in history, along the largest tax increase. If the proposals being outlined in the budget resolution become law, the United States will become less of a republic and more of a socialist country. On behalf of the more than one million members and supporters of the Council for Citizens Against Government Waste (CCAGW), I urge you to oppose this budget resolution.

Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, Congress has approved trillions of dollars in spending, with at least \$1 trillion remaining unspent. The American Rescue Plan Act provided \$1.9 trillion, including funding for infrastructure, and the bipartisan infrastructure bill provides \$1.5 trillion, much of which has nothing to do with infrastructure, and it is not fully paid for. Rather than passing the budget resolution, the Senate should put an end to this massive spending spree and impose spending caps, reduce government waste, and balance the budget.

Passing a budget resolution that would massively increase the deficit and debt will lead to higher taxes and inflation that will reduce economic growth and opportunity for all Americans for at least the next decade. I strongly urge you to oppose the concurrent resolution on the budget for FY 2022. All votes among the budget resolution may be among those considered for CCAGW's 2021 *Congressional Ratings*.

Sincerely,

Tom Schatz