

2000 NATIONAL TAXPAYERS UNION POLL OF CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES

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1. **BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT TO U.S. CONSTITUTION.** I will work and vote for a U. S. Constitutional Amendment which requires that a) total federal outlays for any fiscal year shall not exceed total receipts for that fiscal year without at least a three-fifths vote of the whole number of each House of Congress; b) the limit on United States debt held by the public shall not be increased without at least a three-fifths vote of the whole number of each House; and c) no bill to increase revenue shall become law unless approved by at least a majority of the whole number in each House by a roll-call vote.
☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ UNDECIDED
2. **TAX LIMITATION AMENDMENT TO U.S. CONSTITUTION.** I will work and vote for a U.S. Constitutional Amendment to require a roll-call vote of at least two-thirds of the whole number of each House of Congress to increase revenue in any way.
☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ UNDECIDED
3. **SPENDING RESTRAINT.** I will work and vote for a real net reduction in total discretionary spending based on inflation-adjusted, baseline numbers (which exclude emergency and supplemental spending) from the previous fiscal year. I will not vote for budgetary gimmicks – such as negative spending, redefining spending as mandatory, and emergency spending – that give the false appearance of actual spending reductions.
☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ UNDECIDED
4. **NO TAX INCREASE.** I believe the current tax burden is far too high. Accordingly, I will a) vote against ANY increase of ANY tax – including individual income taxes, corporate income taxes, payroll taxes, and excise taxes; and b) vote against any attempt to repeal, limit, or delay income tax indexing, which prevents inflation from bumping taxpayers into higher tax brackets.
☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ UNDECIDED
5. **RETIREMENT SECURITY.** Recognizing that Social Security will default on its obligations to future retirees unless fundamental reforms are made, I will work and vote for a gradual transition to a system that creates mandatory personally-controlled retirement accounts for future workers, reduces payroll taxes in order to encourage private saving, provides a modest publicly-funded program for low-income seniors, and protects the basic benefits promised to current retirees and those who will retire in the next decade.
☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ UNDECIDED
6. **MAJOR TAX REFORM.** I will work and vote to repeal the entire federal tax code and completely replace it.
☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ UNDECIDED

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7. **TAX REFORM CHOICE.** If you answered Yes to Question 6, please state your preferred reform (check **one** only):
- a national retail sales tax that provides reasonable protection for low-income people, with a U.S. Constitutional Amendment to abolish and prohibit all federal income taxes after a transition period
 - a single, low, flat-rate income tax with a large exemption for each taxpayer and dependent, with a U.S. Constitutional Amendment to prohibit more than one income tax rate
 - Other _____
8. **REPEAL MARRIAGE TAX.** I will work and vote for complete elimination of the marriage tax penalty, including allowing every married couple to split their total taxable income into two equal parts and apply single-person income tax rates to each half.
ì YES ì NO ì UNDECIDED
9. **REPEAL DEATH TAX.** I will work and vote for complete repeal of the federal estate and gift taxes.
ì YES ì NO ì UNDECIDED
10. **ACROSS-THE-BOARD TAX CUT.** I will work and vote for cutting federal income tax rates by an equal percentage across-the-board.
ì YES ì NO ì UNDECIDED
11. **OPPOSE INTERNET TAXATION.** I will oppose any and all efforts to tax Internet transactions or commerce, including efforts to compel vendors to collect taxes on out-of-state sales.
ì YES ì NO ì UNDECIDED

I understand that my answers to this poll will be published. My answers are a firm and unconditional commitment to the people.

CAMPAIGN INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)

CANDIDATE NAME _____

CANDIDATE (OR AUTHORIZED) SIGNATURE _____

NAME OF SIGNER (IF OTHER THAN CANDIDATE) _____

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