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January 20, 2018

Mr. Phil Kiko
Chief Administrative Officer
HB-26, Capitol Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Kiko,

I have been informed that despite a lapse of appropriations and current government shutdown, Members of Congress will continue receiving their salary.

Washingtonians, and all Americans, are concerned about the impact the shutdown will have on our country and their communities. Democrats have refused to pass a continuing resolution that would have funded the federal government at current spending levels for the next month, and against giving certainty to more than 60,000 low-income children who rely on the Children's Health Insurance Program in the State of Washington. This means our men and women in uniform are working every day to keep us safe without being guaranteed their pay. This is an undue burden to put on our troops and their families. This shutdown could have been prevented. Members of Congress should not be shielded from the effects of this shutdown, we should be held to the same laws as our constituents.

Please withhold my pay until an appropriations agreement has taken effect.

Sincerely,



Dan Newhouse
Member of Congress