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The Honorable Max Baucus  
United States Senate  
511 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Baucus,

On behalf of the members of Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA), I would like to offer our support for your efforts to ensure that disabled veterans are not excluded from tax rebate plan being considered in the Economic Stimulus Act of 2008.

The House version of the economic stimulus measure would deny eligibility for tax rebates to disabled veterans who were injured while serving this nation with honor. The House stimulus bill requires an individual to have at least \$3000 per year in taxable income in order to qualify. Because these men and women receive disability compensation which is non-taxable, and in many cases receive no other income, they would not receive a tax rebate.

However, the Senate version of the economic stimulus package would restore eligibility to the tax rebates for disabled veterans in receipt of compensation. These men and women have sacrificed a great deal, and many of them live with permanent and severe disabilities everyday. It makes no sense to penalize them simply because they receive a non-taxable veteran's benefit that they have earned and deserve.

We strongly urge every Senator to support the language of the Senate stimulus measure approved by the Finance Committee. To oppose this measure would be to turn your back on severely disabled veterans.

Thank you for your efforts on behalf of them men and women who have sacrificed so much for this country.

Sincerely,

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