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Dear Brian -

I occasionally see your shows on C-SPAN and thoroughly enjoy them because I usually learn something from them. At the end of your last show, you asked the audience if there were any topics we'd like to see and hear discussed. I have a suggestion.

Everyone is aware of the Perot phenomenon. Perot has captured the hearts and minds of millions of taxpayers with his outspokenness. He's seen on TV almost daily and his comments and ideas have provoked a lot of discussion as well as arousing the ire of many taxpayers. Perot makes headlines but you never hear of the little taxpayer groups that have sprung up all over the country angered by the seeming insensitivity of the Congress to the plight of the average wage earner/taxpayer. Unlike Perot, these little "islands of discontent" are never heard of or reported about in the media.

Brian, I would like you to have a program with ordinary taxpayers telling the nation how we feel and what we're trying to do. I would like your help to get a "Taxpayers Congress" movement underway that would be a coalition of all the taxpayer groups across the country. Each one autonomous but bound by a common objective.

I helped to start such a small taxpayer group in Wyckoff, New Jersey about three years ago when Gov. Florio gave me a wake up call with his unprecedented \$2.8 B tax increase. The Wyckoff Home Owners Alliance (WHOA - very appropriate for our tax and spend legislators) is, in turn, a member of the Bergen County Taxpayers Coalition (BCTC) which is a coalition of thirteen of the towns in our county (Bergen). It occurred to me that what we little taxpayer groups is to create a "Taxpayers Congress" which would, in turn, let the

"Legislators Congress" know what we, the people,
want that "Legislators Congress" to do in response to our
needs.

I don't know if the above makes any sense to you
but I would love to discuss this further with you
to amplify my thoughts.

I would really appreciate any comments or ideas
you might have as to the feasibility of such a program.
Keep up the good work!

Sincerely -

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