



May 20, 2010

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Madam Speaker:

On behalf of the over 200,000 men, women and children served by Heartland Alliance each year, I am writing to express strong support for H.R. 4213, the American Jobs and Closing Tax Loopholes Act. While the economy is showing some signs of recovery, the labor market lags behind, unemployment remains high, and families continue to struggle to make ends meet. This is true in Illinois and the Midwest as well as across the entire United States. H.R. 4213 will provide the critical tax cuts and support for American workers through the end of this year that are needed to jump start our economy.

Heartland Alliance for Human Needs & Human Rights is a service-based, human rights organization focused on investments in and solutions for the most poor and vulnerable. Our mission is to advance the human rights and to respond to the human needs of endangered populations through the provision of comprehensive and respectful services and the promotion of permanent solutions leading to a more just global society. We currently serve over 200,000 people - individuals who are homeless, experiencing mental illness or substance abuse, immigrants and refugees, senior citizens, formerly incarcerated, and youth, among others - through numerous programs and sites throughout the Chicago metropolitan area as well as in the Midwest and internationally.

Based on our direct service experience, we urge your support of H.R. 4213. If we can provide additional information or assistance, please contact Gina Guillemette at 312.870.4940 or gguillemette@heartlandalliance.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sid L. Mohn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sid L. Mohn
President