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League of Conservation Voters * National Parks Conservation Association
Natural Resources Defense Council * Population Action International
Rocky Mountain Wild * Sierra Club * The Trust for Public Land * WildEarth Guardians
The Wilderness Society**

Dear Senator,

On behalf of the millions of members, supporters and activists we represent, we urge you to support S.Con. Res 8, Foundation for Growth introduced by Senator Patty Murray (D-WA), and to oppose any amendments that would undermine the health and environmental goals it advances.

S. Con. Res 8 charts a clear path forward for our nation, one that recognizes a healthy environment supports a healthy economy. It would reduce the deficit through targeted cuts and by closing tax loopholes—while expanding environmental and health protections. The bill continues the nation’s commitment to preserving our natural landscapes, wildlife, and waterways and strengthens the Environmental Protection Agency’s ability to clean up our air, make our water safe, and protect our families from toxic chemicals.

The bill also recognizes that the cost of inaction on climate change is simply too high to bear. It invests in clean energy to drive economic development while reducing pollution, and reserves money to upgrade our water and transportation infrastructure to enhance resiliency.

In short, the Murray Budget is a responsible plan for the 21st century that reflects the values of the American public.

Once again, we urge you to support S.Con. Res. 8 and to oppose any amendments that would dirty our air and water, threaten our land and wildlife, or undercut our ability to combat climate change.

Sincerely,

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