

From: Congressman Jared Polis <jared.polis@mail.house.gov> To: Katie.schafer@mail.house.gov Subject: TEST Eliminating pork boundary="--boundary_504_84316398-4997-4b58-bda1-e93139ce8d8e" Date: Fri, 03 Aug 2018 16:11:51 -0400 Stay Connected: Dear Friend, The federal government sure can learn a lot from the average American family. Families across the country know what it's like to create a budget, accounting for everything from housing and utilities, to groceries, insurance, and transportation. They live within their means, knowing that every month, there will be new bills to pay. The federal government fails to budget long-term, and spends outside its means. Why? Because too many politicians over-spend your tax dollars to curry favor with special interest groups. The taxes that politicians set aside for special interest groups is called "pork," and there is far too much of it. It could come in the form of unnecessary government contracts for mercenaries or corporations. As a result, we have had a deficit for the past 17 years and have amassed \$21 trillion in total debt. Next year, the deficit is expected to hit nearly \$1 trillion. On overspending, it doesn't seem to matter whether Republicans or Democrats are in charge, it just gets worse and worse. We have to stop this spending spree because it only leaves us economically beholden to foreign countries we borrow from like China and Saudi Arabia. The U.S. is one of the wealthiest nations on the planet, collecting a whopping \$3.3 trillion in taxes; that should be enough to balance the budget! Since starting in Congress, I have championed over 100 spending cuts, eliminating "pork" by ending sweetheart deals for special interest groups. I have also sponsored a balanced budget amendment to force Congress to live within our means. As your Representative, I am doing everything I can to stop the wastefulness, including voting against most of the bloated spending bills. The way we are headed simply doesn't add up. If this newsletter was helpful, please sign-up to receive them more regularly here. In addition, please feel free to connect directly with me. If you'd like to get in touch, you can email me any time, call one of my offices, or send me a note through Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram. Sincerely, Jared Polis, Representative [WEBSITE](#) | [UNSUBSCRIBE](#) | [CONTACT](#) BOULDER OFFICE 1644 Walnut St. Boulder, CO 80302 Phone: (303) 484-9596 Fax: (303) 568-9007 FORT COLLINS OFFICE 1220 S. College Ave. Fort Collins, CO 80525 Phone: (970) 226-1239 Fax: (970) 226-8597 FRISCO OFFICE P.O. Box 1453 Frisco, CO 80443 Phone: (970) 409-7301 WASHINGTON DC OFFICE 1727 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515 Phone: (202) 225-2161 Fax: (202) 226-7840 [Click Here to view this email in your browser](#) [Click Here to be removed from this list](#)