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*April 8, 2011*

*Mr. Dan Strodel  
Chief Administrative Officer  
HB-30, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515*

*Dear Mr. Strodel,*

*I have been informed that if a lapse in appropriations leads to a reduction in government operations, Members of Congress will continue to be paid. I also understand that members of our military will not receive their paychecks during that period, though they will continue their dedicated service to our nation.*

*I do not wish to be paid if our troops are serving without pay. Therefore, should a lapse of appropriations occur, please hold all of my pay until funds are appropriated for members of the armed services to receive the compensation they so honorably deserve.*

*Sincerely,*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pat". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "P" that loops over the "at".

*Pat Tiberi  
Member of Congress*

