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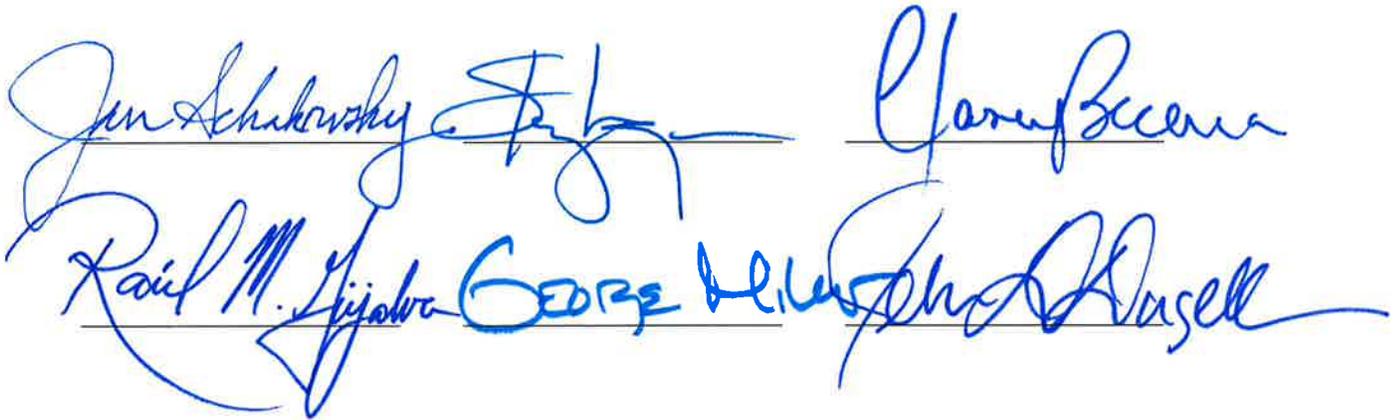
Dear Speaker Boehner:

On May 10, you were asked if increasing revenues is an option for addressing our deficit and other fiscal challenges. You responded, "It is off the table, everything else is on the table." We do not think that is an acceptable answer. Your position jeopardizes the chances for a bipartisan resolution and runs counter to every independent recommendation, including the proposal made by National Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Reform co-chairs Erskine Bowles and Alan Simpson.

Revenues must be a component of addressing our deficit and debt problems. Solving our fiscal problems with spending cuts alone would be devastating to our economy, to the middle class, and to vulnerable populations like seniors and low-income families.

Americans by wide margins support raising tax rates on millionaires and billionaires, ending subsidies for the oil and gas industry, and eliminating tax breaks for companies that ship American jobs overseas. We agree. In order to address our deficit problems while protecting the economy, the middle class, and those who aspire to it, those options need to be on the table.

Sincerely,



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