

Washington, D.C.— Today, six members of the Congressional Progressive Caucus, Reps. Michael Honda (D-CA), Jan Schakowsky (D-IL), Keith Ellison (D-MN), John Conyers (D-MI), Raúl Grijalva (D-AZ), and Barbara Lee (D-CA), released the Progressive Principles for Tax Reform, a progressive framework for the coming tax reform discussion.

When negotiating changes in our current tax structure, progressives are committed to a plan that raises significant revenue, protects working families and the vulnerable, and requires corporations and the wealthy to pay their fair share.

“The discussion on reforming our tax code is an important opportunity to make meaningful changes to our tax system that can help working Americans,” the co-authors said. “The framework introduced in this document makes sense from a numbers perspective and from a moral perspective.”

The “Gang of Six” plan put forward today calls for positive revenue from corporate tax reform and opposes a territorial system that would encourage big businesses to move profits and jobs overseas. The plan also asks for the wealthiest Americans to pay more in income tax, while working to strengthen tax credits that help middle class families.

“The extremism in the Republican Caucus has brought us to this dangerous precipice, but progressives in Congress will continue to see their radical proposals as an opportunity to have real discussions about this country’s future.”

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