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Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Catherine,

Developing a comprehensive retirement plan is an important step that will lead many Americans toward a financially secure future. Unfortunately, many consumers are unaware of the financial challenges ahead and are drifting toward retirement without an adequate plan. It must be a national priority to communicate the value of retirement planning so that more Americans can appropriately prepare for and attain financial security during their retirement years.

National Retirement Planning Week is a significant effort that promotes awareness of these important issues and provides Americans with essential information regarding their finances. Thank you for your leadership in spearheading the National Retirement Planning Coalition and thanks to all the coalition members for their efforts to educate Americans about the importance of retirement planning. I wish you all the best as you continue this valued campaign.

Sincerely,



Erik Paulsen
Member of Congress