

United States Senate

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Dear Ms. Weatherford:

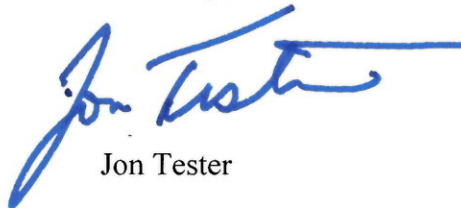
Thank you for your continued efforts to educate Americans about the importance of retirement planning during National Retirement Planning Week. As your members and I know, putting together a comprehensive retirement plan is a key part of helping Americans achieve a financially secure future.

As I travel across my home state of Montana, I consistently hear about the difficulties that hard-working Montanans face as they try to save for retirement. Unfortunately, too many of these hard-working folks, move towards retirement unaware of the financial obstacles that lie ahead and without a suitable financial plan to help them achieve it.

Thanks to initiatives like National Retirement Planning Week though, more Americans are becoming cognizant of the importance of retirement planning and the steps they need to take to attain financial security by the time they retire. Moving forward, I will continue to work with your members and my colleagues in the Senate to make retirement planning a top national priority. Working together we can simplify the system to attract more savings, ensuring that folks have access to advice so they can appropriately prepare for and attain financial security during their retirement.

Thanks again for all of your efforts to expand awareness about how Americans can achieve financial security for retirement. I wish you all the best as you continue this important campaign.

Sincerely,



Jon Tester