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Ms. Catherine Weatherford
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Dear Ms. Weatherford,

I write in support of the National Retirement Planning Coalition and this year's National Retirement Planning Week. As you know well, saving for retirement should be an important priority in every American's life. Doing so allows Americans to save money and achieve the peace of mind that comes from financial security. Unfortunately, many Americans are not actively thinking about retirement because they see it as a life event that will occur far in the future, and they are unaware of financial challenges that may come up. Our country must continue to prioritize the importance of planning for one's retirement years, which benefits every American as it increases our nation's financial security.

The Insured Retirement Institute and the National Retirement Planning Coalition recognize this, and work to increase awareness of these important issues. Further, you provide Americans with helpful information through National Retirement Planning Week. I thank you for leading the National Retirement Planning Coalition and applaud the contributions of all your coalition members who work tirelessly every day to educate Americans about the importance of planning for retirement. I wish you nothing but the best as you continue this valuable campaign.

Sincerely,

Ann McLane Kuster
Member of Congress