## Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

July 9, 2013

Mr. Stephen T. Miller Acting Commissioner of Internal Revenue U.S. Department of the Treasury 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Acting Commissioner Miller:

As members of the Florida Congressional Delegation, we are writing to express our support for the IRS's efforts to reduce the prevalence of identity theft and tax fraud.

Although this is nationwide issue, this problem is especially serious in Florida, particularly among senior citizens. The Government Accountability Office (GAO) reported that in 2012 approximately 650,000 incidents of tax identity fraud occurred, more than 33,000 residents in our home State of Florida alone.

Earlier this year, we introduced the bipartisan SAFE ID Act—a commonsense bill that we believe would help reduce the incidence of identity theft and tax fraud. Specifically, this bill would allow the IRS to use a truncated Social Security number on all W-2 tax forms, in lieu of a full Social Security number. We are committed to moving forward with this bipartisan legislation.

With the tax season behind us, we urge you to continue to make tackling identity theft and tax fraud important priorities.

Sincerely,

Joe Garcia

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