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DOLE RELEASES RESULTS OF BALANCED BUDGET POLL

WASHINGTON -- SENATE MAJORITY BOB DOLE (R-KAN.) TODAY RELEASED THE RESULTS OF A POLL ON THE BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT SHOWING 83.7 PERCENT OF THE RESPONDENTS FAVOR PASSAGE OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Following is a copy of a "Dear Colleague" letter sent by Senator Dole, which describes the poll:

The Honorable
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear

On the eve of Senate action on the balanced budget amendment, I thought you should be aware of a major expression of public support for the balanced budget/tax limitation amendment.

Over the past twelve months, Citizens For a Sound Economy surveyed over nine million Americans who were asked this direct question:

"Do you favor passage of the Balanced Budget Constitutional Amendment to limit taxes and spending?"

Of the 1,000,000 people who responded to the survey, 83.7 percent responded unequivocally "yes".

Of these 837,000 "yes" voters, 5,812 live in your State of   . I sincerely hope that you will take account of the views of these constituents of yours in casting your vote on the balanced budget amendment, S.J. Res. 225, now before the Senate.

As I have been saying all along, the balanced budget amendment has broad and deep support among the American people. The people are concerned about the deficit, because they understand the consequences of unchecked, irresponsible growth of the national debt. Americans understand because they know the importance of balancing their checkbooks, tightening their belts, and living within their means. They expect us to do the same-- and to keep doing it.

How can we argue with that?

Sincerely,

BOB DOLE
Majority Leader