

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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Senator Harry Reid
Office of the Senate Majority Leader
S-221 The Capitol
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Dear Senator Reid:

We are encouraged by recent media reports that you foresee a vote on the Keystone XL Pipeline in the Senate. As you know, the House of Representatives passed legislation approving the pipeline on May 22, 2013 by a vote of 241-175. This is a tremendous opportunity to show the American people that we are serious about job growth and reducing our reliance on oil from the Middle East. What our economy needs now more than ever is certainty. What the American people need is a sense of strong national security. By weaning the United States off of oil from the Middle East, we create a more stable supply of oil from a trusted ally: Canada.

There is no doubt American innovators can develop the energy sources of the future and eventually add renewable sources as options in the marketplace. The United States is second to none in technology, ingenuity, and determination. In the meantime, it is a fact that our country will be dependent on fossil fuels. It is imperative that we, as leaders, do not stifle opportunities that would create a more stable source of fuel for the American people in the interim.

At a time when our constituents think of Washington as a broken record of partisan bickering and false promises, we have a real opportunity to show Congress coming together to act on their behalf.

We thank you for your attention to this important issue and know the American people will too.

Sincerely,





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