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Congressman Renacci,

Thank you for your meeting at Medina Hospital on March 21. I appreciate your effort to meet your constituents and field our questions. However, I am very, very troubled by your lack of urgency to significantly reduce the debt and defund Obamacare. Your claims that it cannot be done because of House Rules, are misleading. Those same rules were waived over one hundred times in the past. After all the GOP campaign promises and now having an opportunity to do so, many of you Republicans still refuse to defund Obamacare. After so many broken promises in such a short time, if Congress were a private business instead of government, the GOP would be sued for breach of contract! And please explain to me how is it that Congresswoman Bachmann and 53 other Republicans saw fit to vote against the Continuing Resolution?

Perhaps you forget, Mr. Renacci, that Republicans were victorious last November, not because of the good job they have been doing—not by a long shot! Republicans were victorious for 2 reasons, and 2 reasons only:

1. All the commitment and hard work on the part of the Tea Party Movement.
2. The Democrats are so bloody awful!

I had hoped, Mr. Renacci, that as a business person, you of all people would have understood the economic disaster that Obamacare is. And even if it meant opposing Mr. Boehner and Mr. Cantor, you certainly would have sought and supported any measure to defund it. Of course, we know the slim chance of any passage in the Senate, but you would have at least made a statement, stood up to the Democrats, and most important, kept your word to your constituents. And if it means “shutting down the government”, then shut it down! With the incredibly lousy job that the government has done to get us into this horrendous mess, it deserves to be not only shut down, but put out of business completely!! (Remember the approval rating of Congress a year ago-- 14%?!) Besides, we all know the dirty little secret that the government never is totally shut down.

Please be assured Mr. Renacci, that the Tea Party movement has only begun. Think of what the movement has accomplished in just 2 short years—the changes that have been made not just on the national level, but the many Conservative victories on the state and local levels! And the more the GOP leadership does business as usual, thumbing its collective nose at its constituents and conservative values, the more energized we become. Anger is a great motivator.

As sure as I sit here, Mr. Renacci, I believe that our great country and our prosperous way of life will not survive either the Democrats or the spineless Republicans who enable them. And whatever sacrifices I am humanly able to make, I will continue my effort to elect leaders who honor their country more than themselves and will work to restore America to the country I grew up in.

Respectfully yours,

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