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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
Washington, DC 20515

October 10, 2025

The Honorable Catherine Szpindor  
Chief Administrative Officer  
HB-28, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Ms. Szpindor:

Democrats are holding the paychecks of our military service members and federal workers hostage to pursue a radical agenda that gives government benefits to illegal aliens and adds \$1.5 trillion to our debt. These unrealistic demands have resulted in a lapse in appropriations funding for the federal government. However, concurrent with the United States Constitution, Article I, Section 6, Members of Congress will continue to receive their salaries.

Not only do I believe this to be wrong, as military families often live paycheck to paycheck with only one source of income, but it is completely avoidable. The House did its job and passed a clean, bipartisan continuing resolution that would deliver troops' paychecks on time and keep the government open. Unfortunately, Senate Democrats have continually blocked this common-sense measure, resulting in a Democratic-led shutdown of the federal government since October 1st.

Given these unfortunate circumstances, I request that my salary be withheld until this lapse in appropriations ends.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lisa C. McClain". Below the signature, the letters "M.C." are printed in a small font.

Lisa C. McClain  
Member of Congress  
Chairwoman of the House Republican Conference