



August 14, 2023

The Honorable Daniel I. Werfel
Commissioner
Internal Revenue Service
1111 Constitution Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20224

Dear Commissioner Werfel,

I am pleased to deliver a petition to the IRS in favor of Direct File that garnered 65,546 signatures.

The petition language that activists signed stated:

Petition to the Internal Revenue Service

Americans should not have to pay profit-hungry companies in order to use a program to file taxes online. Thank you for developing a free alternative. I encourage you to make this software broadly available as soon as possible so that everyone will have a public option for electronic tax filing.

The groups that circulated petitions are: Americans for Financial Reform, Americans for Tax Fairness Action Fund, Civic Shout, Coalition on Human Needs, Daily Kos, Demand Progress, Democracy for America Advocacy Fund, Inequality Media Civic Action, MoveOn, Patriotic Millionaires, Progress America, Progressive Reform Network, Public Citizen, and Social Security Works.

Thank you for your work to provide a free and fair filing public option for all.

Best,

Susan Harley
Managing Director, Congress Watch