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February 14, 2007

The Honorable Joe Wilson
House of Representatives
212 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-4002

Re: House Bill HR 811 VVPAT

Dear Representative Wilson,

I am requesting that you not support HR 811 - VVPAT being sponsored by Rep. Rush Holt.

This resolution will not benefit the voter. It will cost counties and states more money to conduct elections. It will create delays and longer lines on election day as well as compromise the secrecy of the ballot.

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As for compromising the secrecy of the ballot, should a voter leave without his receipt, his ballot then can be viewed by the poll manager or the next voter. In the event of a blind voter, it prints his intent for others to see. Our system requires the voter to view every page and review their selections prior to voting his/her ballot. I do not believe that the voters want a printed receipt of what he/she considers to be their right regarding the secrecy of the ballot. We do not need to create more obstacles or delays for the voters. We want to encourage them to vote as well as allow them to see the system at work, and promote confidence in our voting system.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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