

**Please curb Connecticut spending across the board, and restore responsible practices.**

- 1. We cannot afford higher taxes.**
- 2. We cannot afford to borrow from our children and grandchildren.**
- 3. We cannot afford big government.**
- 4. We cannot afford unbridled spending.**
- 5. We cannot afford unfunded mandates.**
- 6. We cannot afford make-do public projects.**
- 7. We cannot afford to fund projects for those who already have incomes.**
- 8. We cannot afford to bail out persons or businesses that have failed to manage their affairs with good financial sense.**
- 9. We cannot afford to pay increasingly higher salaries and benefits to government and municipal employees without a solid tax base to support those increases.**
- 10. We cannot afford to exceed the established spending cap.**
- 11. We must work to reduce the existing spending cap in such a way as to lower the tax burden on all Connecticut taxpayers, proportional to taxpayer income, and without crushing the low and middle income citizens into utter poverty, as our economy has continued to grind down our citizens.**

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