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The Honorable _____
United States House of Representatives

Dear Representative _____:

I am writing to you as a concerned constituent. We all know that the rising fuel costs are having an impact on average Americans but in addition to that and of even more concern is the rising cost of food. As an example, bread is one of the basic foods for our families and the price of flour is impacting the price I pay to provide my family with a basic food. Add this increase to the increase in the cost of fuel and the impact on average families is immense. The amount of my disposable income is being reduced by these increases thus making it more and more difficult to provide the basics for my family.

Wheat prices are putting enormous pressure on bakeries' ability to produce affordable, healthy products for consumers like me. I am very concerned about the price increases that will have to be passed on to consumers as small businesses such as bakeries take action to ensure their survival.

I am asking you to support actions such as putting additional acreage into growing wheat. This will help ensure there is an ample supply of wheat available in this country thus helping to ease the price increases. Additionally, I urge you to approve a Farm Bill that restores balance between the need to provide Americans with affordable healthy food products and the desire for renewable fuels such as ethanol. With the ethanol program, acreage is being taken from food production to produce grain for bio-fuels.

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