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The Honorable Michael Bennet United States Senate 458 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Johnny Isakson United States Senate 131 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Bennet and Senator Isakson:

On behalf of the 1 million members of the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR) and our affiliates, thank you for introducing the "Sensible Accounting to Value Energy Act" in the 113th Congress. REALTORS® applaud your continued efforts to ensure that housing is affordable for consumers and that voluntary incentives are put-in-place to encourage the use of energy efficient products and materials in existing and new homes.

The "Sensible Accounting to Value Energy Act" offer consumers a voluntary framework to use for the determination of energy efficiency in a prospective home. The resulting valuation will provide the consumer with more information about home energy use. The legislation will enable consumers to learn more about energy efficient materials and products if they are considering home improvements or pursuing new construction with similar enhancements.

Additionally, the growing use of energy efficient materials and products in existing and new homes may create manufacturing and construction jobs, continuing our Nation's economic recovery. REALTORS® firmly believe that our economy will flourish or fail based on a thriving real estate industry.

Again, REALTORS® thank you for your efforts to encourage the use of energy efficient products and materials in housing. As always, NAR stands ready to collaborate with you and Congress to enact sensible, comprehensive and effective housing focused legislation.

Sincerely,

Gary Thomas

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