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TEA PARTY GROUPS STILL TARGETED BY IRS

*Months After Scandal Broke, No Action Taken by
Administration to Stop Discrimination*

Washington, D.C.— Statement by Jenny Beth Martin, national coordinator of the Tea Party Patriots regarding the admission by an IRS official in closed door testimony before the House Ways & Means Committee that tea party groups are still being targeted by the agency:

"While this may come as a surprise to the American people, new information just revealed that the IRS is still targeting Tea Party groups is not a surprise to Tea Party Patriots. It likely does not surprise the 9-12 groups, pro-family groups, pro-liberty, and other conservative leaning organizations who have been victims of the IRS discrimination and targeting. Tea Party Patriots has not received final determination from the IRS - more than 3 years after applying.

"While the FBI claims to be investigating this, not one of our groups has been contacted by the FBI.

"While the IRS has given paid leave, promotions, bonuses, early retirement and resignations to its employees, the agency continues to stonewall Congressional investigations and not provide the evidence and documents requested. And no one in any position of power or leadership anywhere has successfully done anything meaningful to fix this problem.

"We demand action be taken immediately by President Obama, by IRS officials and by Members of Congress today!

"Tea Party Patriots is taking action by taking our message directly to the American people and rallying them to demand action from the elected representatives."

Tea Party Patriots is a national grassroots coalition with more than 3,400 locally organized chapters and more than 15 million supporters nationwide. Tea Party Patriots is a non-profit, non-partisan organization dedicated to promoting the principles of fiscal responsibility, constitutionally limited government, and free markets. Visit Tea Party Patriots online at www.TeaPartyPatriots.org.

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