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Rep. John Faso 1616 Longworth HOB Washington, DC 20515

Dear Rep. John Faso,

A clear majority of Americans--including a majority of Republicans-- agree that strong action is needed on climate change. President Trump, however, has called climate change a "hoax". He and his aides plan to dismantle the Clean Power Plan, cancel the Paris Climate Agreement, and eviscerate the Clean Air Act — one of the key laws protecting our environment, climate and public health against industrial pollution. The Clean Air Act has been saving lives for 40 years.

In addition, the Administration is making it more difficult for federal science on climate change to be made public, and plans to end NASA's climate science gathering efforts. NASA is the only agency with the tools to study the climate of the Earth as a whole.

Most Americans support action to reduce greenhouse gases because climate change poses an urgent threat to infrastructure, agriculture, fisheries, and ecosystems, even human health. No one voted for an end to clean air. Now is the time for America to move forward with critical climate safeguards. We need a clean energy economy that works for all Americans. It is my hope that you will resist the efforts of those in government who are siding with polluters and the fossil fuel industry.

I urge you to stand strong against the extremists in the Republican Party and implore you to stop the politicization of science within the federal government. Please, do not collaborate with efforts to dismantle critical climate protections. It is essential that there not be a 4 year gap in federal agencies' data gathering efforts. Do not allow NASA's science to be shifted to other agencies that lack the necessary tools. Help protect the science budgets of NASA, EPA and NOAA. Federal science needs to remain public. Carbon and methane emissions must be reduced. Please do what is right.

Sincerely,

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