December 19, 2011

Honorable Jim Jordan Chairman House Republican Study Committee

Dear Chairman Jordan:

On behalf of the American Conservative Union, I am pleased to give our wholehearted endorsement to HR 3400, the Jobs Through Growth Act, sponsored by Congressman Scott Garrett. This comprehensive bill answers those who claim that conservatives to not have a plan to restore economic growth and end the chronic unemployment we have suffered while the federal government and the nation's debt have each grown exponentially over the past few years.

The Jobs Through Growth Act implements tax reform while offering taxpayers the choice of staying with the current system. The optional tax provisions would give individuals a simple, fairer and flatter tax code with two tax rates of 15 and 25 percent. Other provisions reduce the corporate rate to 25 percent, eliminates the death tax, and factors inflation into the capital gains tax.

The Jobs Through Growth Act would also greatly reduce the crushing burden of regulation on small business by exempting businesses with 200 or fewer employees, require congressional approval of regulations, so that unelected bureaucrats cannot make the laws and allows judicial review of regulatory action by a person adversely affected by that action.

The Jobs Through Growth Act would also end the war on domestic energy production waged by the Obama Administration. It would reverse the absurd finding of EPA that carbon dioxide is a "pollutant." The bill would also expedite the construction and operation of the Keystone XL Pipeline.

ACU will urge all members of the House to co-sponsor this legislation and urge the leadership of the House to bring it before the House for a vote.

Sincerely,

Larry Hart

Director of Government Relations American Conservative Union