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The Honorable Mark Walker U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C.

Dear Representative Walker,

This week I learned of your plan to reintroduce the Universal Charitable Giving Act (UCGA) on Giving Tuesday, December 3.

On behalf of ECFA's 2,400 members that annually receive over 16 billion dollars in charitable contributions, I want to express my deep appreciation for your leadership in supporting this legislation.

Last week, we released our annual ECFA State of Giving Report <u>ECFA.org/StateOfGiving</u>. Even though giving to our members had shown a year-on-year increase for six consecutive years, the most recent report reflected a decrease of 0.6%, just before inflation. The study means overall our Christ-centered members are doing more with less.

Passage of UCGA would provide a significant incentive for non-itemizers that would be very meaningful to our members as they serve millions of program recipients.

Thank you again for your support of UCGA and we sincerely hope that it will soon become law.

Sincerely,

Dan Busby President

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