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Dear Hannah,

Right now, extremists in Washington are pushing to make it harder to access Social Security benefits. They've slashed phone service, closed field offices, and made it nearly impossible to get help. **Let's be clear: this isn't about "efficiency"—it's a backdoor attempt to gut Social Security by denying seniors the benefits they've earned. It's unacceptable.**

In a second, I'll tell you about the bipartisan bill I just introduced to push back and protect access to Social Security. But first, I want to know where you stand:

**SHOULD CONGRESS ACT TO ENSURE
SENIORS CAN GET HELP WITH THEIR
SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS – WHETHER
IT'S OVER THE PHONE, ONLINE OR IN
PERSON?**

YES NO

Thanks for participating in this survey and helping me better represent you. By responding to this survey you are opting in to text, email and phone updates from our office.

If these cuts go through, even something as simple as a missing check or changing an address could require an in-person visit—often to an office many miles away. And once you get there, you could be stuck waiting in line for hours just to get help.

That's why I introduced the bipartisan *Social Security Access Act*. It says: if you paid into Social Security, you deserve guaranteed access to the benefits you've earned—no matter how you choose to get help. My bill protects phone support, expands online services, and stops the closures of local field offices. It also requires the Social Security Administration to report on service quality and accessibility, so we can hold them accountable and make sure no one gets left behind.

Whether you get help over the phone, online, or in person, the federal government has a responsibility to make sure you can access your benefits in a timely fashion.

You paid into Social Security your whole life, and I'll keep fighting every day to make sure Washington politicians don't stand in your way.

With gratitude and high hopes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JR' with a large loop and a horizontal line extending to the right.

Josh Riley
Member of Congress

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