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After 578 days of this Congress, Republicans have yet to secure certainty for the middle class or small businesses but have found time to vote 33 times against healthcare.

They have provided absolutely no security for urban farmers or the hungry children of this nation. And finally, they have again leftWashingtonwithout a plan to bring jobs toAmericaor produce a plan to stop automatic cuts that will otherwise go into effect, a process called sequestration.

This is unacceptable.

Members of Congress are elected to govern, and right now the American people need solutions more than ever. During this Congress, House Republicans have allowed the U.S. Postal

Service, which is facing a $14.1 billion loss this year, amidst a plummeting mail volume, to default for the first time.

Along with the destruction of the Postal Service and cuts to defense with sequestration, many other government entities and programs will suffer.

The Social Security Administration's resources will be cut by nearly $900 million next year alone, creating not only more service delays for our seniors but costing taxpayers $500 million in waste and fraud. Sequestration will also lead to removing nearly 100,000 children off Head Start and cutting education funding by more than $4 billion.

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We must restore our nation, get Americans back to work, bring our middle class tax cuts, and do the work the citizens of this country elected us to do.