



March 30, 2012

The Honorable Scott Tipton
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Tipton,

We are writing thank you for your co-sponsorship of legislation to improve the Women Owned Small Business (WOSB) Federal Procurement program. Women Impacting Public Policy (WIPP) is a national nonpartisan public policy organization, advocating on behalf of nearly one million women-owned businesses representing 60 business organizations.

The Women's Procurement Program Improvement Act (H.R. 4203) will provide larger contracts for women business owners, enabling them to grow their firms and spur economic recovery. This legislation strengthens the ability of women-owned businesses to secure federal contracts and ensures that the WOSB program is on equal footing with other small business procurement programs.

This bill is important because it removes impediments to federal contracting officers who award contracts to women owned businesses. Boosting the number of federal contracts awarded to women business owners will result in much needed economic growth for these firms.

We thank you for co-sponsoring this important legislation. The government has never met its goal of awarding 5% of contracting dollars to women owned businesses. The time is right to reach that goal; and your support will help achieve that. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ann Sullivan, WIPP Government Relations, at (202) 626-8528.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Barbara Kasoff'.

Barbara Kasoff, President and CEO
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