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**Subject:**I Oppose the Food Tax

**Date:**Tue, 2 Mar 2010 09:03:50 -0500 (EST)

**From:**Ana Goodwin <goodwinlyn@aol.com>

**To:**Ana Goodwin <goodwinlyn@aol.com>

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Lt. Governor Denish

Representative Egolf

Senator Wirth

Message text follows:

Ana Goodwin  
7 Apache Plume Drive  
Santa Fe, NM 87508-9385

March 2, 2010

Dear Governor Richardson:

Please oppose the reimposition of the food tax in New Mexico, either at the state or local level.

Please do not impose a tax on food. I can barely pay my utilities, especially propane to heat my house and gas for my car. If I pay a tax on food, then I won't be able to pay for clothes; which are already taxed - so the state will lose the money on that sale, and other items that I won't be able to afford any more. If you absolute have to impose a tax on food - do it on the unhealthy junk food, which I can't afford to buy anyway (and wouldn't even if I could). Be strong in standing up to this "easy fix" taxation!

Sincerely,

Ana

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**Subject:** Please Don't Tax My Food

**Date:** Mon, 1 Mar 2010 17:58:57 -0500 (EST)

**From:** Margaret Herring <herrings@zianet.com>

**To:** Margaret Herring <herrings@zianet.com>

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Margaret Herring

P.O. Box 338

Las Cruces, NM 88004-0338

March 1, 2010

Dear Governor Richardson:

Please oppose the reimposition of the food tax in New Mexico, either at the state or local level.

My husband and I are on social security. As you know there won't be a cost of living increase for us for two years. In the midst of the most severe recession in seven decades, it is wrong to increase taxes on people living off of social security. Don't tax food, it is one of the things that we can't live without. Tax liquor and cigarettes most!

Sincerely,

Margaret and Sid Herring

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**Subject:**Don't Reimpose the Food Tax

**Date:**Mon, 1 Mar 2010 18:04:22 -0500 (EST)

**From:**Lisa Piatetsky <lisawp@comcast.net>

**To:**Lisa Piatetsky <lisawp@comcast.net>

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Albuquerque, NM 87105-4059

March 1, 2010

Dear Governor Richardson:

Please oppose the reimposition of the food tax in New Mexico, either at the state or local level.

Please do not impose a tax on food items that are not considered JUNK FOOD. My husband and I have been out of work for a number of months, being in our later fifties we don't know when things will change.. We don't get unemployment or have savings. We live on a very small fixed income, using coupons whenever we can. and comparing brands for lower cost. Food costs are already one of our biggest expenses. Please do not add to our burden and thousands of other Americans in the same circumstance..

I believe we should raise revenue in ways that are less regressive and less harmful to New Mexico's families than a tax on groceries. I urge you to resist any efforts to tax New Mexicans' food!

Sincerely,

Lisa Piatetsky

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**Subject:**Food Should be Tax-Free in New Mexico

**Date:**Mon, 1 Mar 2010 15:32:52 -0500 (EST)

**From:**Paul Fuierer <fuierer@nmt.edu>

**To:**Paul Fuierer <fuierer@nmt.edu>

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Paul Fuierer  
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Socorro, NM 87801-4820

March 1, 2010

Dear Governor Richardson:

Please oppose the reimposition of the food tax in New Mexico, either at the state or local level.

Elimination of the NM food tax back in 2004 was probably the single most important and productive piece of work done by NM government in the past several decades. Nothing else has impacted our family finances in such a positive way. Re-imposing the tax would be NM's single biggest mistake, proving that state government cares nothing about its citizens, but only about its own purse.

Sincerely,

Paul Fuierer

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**Subject:**No Food Tax on New Mexico's Families!

**Date:**Mon, 1 Mar 2010 14:58:15 -0500 (EST)

**From:**Espi Avila <pavila@salud.unm.edu>

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March 1, 2010

Dear Governor Richardson:

Please oppose the reimposition of the food tax in New Mexico, either at the state or local level.

I am hoping that as you go through your emails that you would really think of all the needy individuals that are in this state and not impose more taxes on these people and myself. It is a very difficult time in our lives as we struggle to put food on our tables and see others from other countries in the supermarkets getting food stamp to help them and you think nothing of us long time residents, that work hard and no one gives us a break. When my children were young we had tlittle money to buy groceries and had to do a lot of beans rice and potatoes to get us through each day. Why burden our poor citizens of this state and now tax food. I'm praying that you will come to your meeting and fight for the people of NEW Mexico.

Sincerely,

Espi Avila

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**Subject:**New Mexico's Families Say NO to the Food Tax

**Date:**Mon, 1 Mar 2010 16:22:09 -0500 (EST)

**From:**Stephen Bishop <scalomoh@yahoo.com>

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Stephen Bishop

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Albuquerque, NM 87108-1168

March 1, 2010

Dear Governor Richardson:

Please oppose the reimposition of the food tax in New Mexico, either at the state or local level.

The food tax is up for consideration again? How can New Mexico be making this error again. I will repeat a story I had told many people in the past, but hoped never to tell again. when I first moved here I was amazed

that the state taxed basic food items, and everyone I told from out of state agreed and questioned how I could be moving to such a "backwards" state. I have grown to love being New Mexican, but please do not bring back memories of moving to state that places a tax burden on the ability of people to feed themselves.

Sincerely,

Stephen L. Bishop

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**Subject:**I Oppose the Food Tax

**Date:**Mon, 1 Mar 2010 16:54:44 -0500 (EST)

**From:**Michael Hoffman <mick6709@hotmail.com>

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Senator Ingle

Message text follows:

Michael Hoffman

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Portales, NM 88130-6709

March 1, 2010

Dear Governor Richardson:

Please oppose the reimposition of the food tax in New Mexico, either at the state or local level.

I'm very disappointed that our state legislators have turned around and are trying to pass the food tax after saying that they wouldn't. I don't appreciate it when my elected leaders lie to me. Don't say you won't when you will. DON'T pass this tax! Our stat should be at the forefront of helping our people. We're trying to keep our heads above water as it is and a Food Tax is not the way to help us. Sure, the more affluent don't care, but it's digging a hole in my wallet. Keep your word! Don't pass this tax.

Sincerely,

Michael Hoffman

575-749-2682

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**Subject:** Don't Reimpose the Food Tax

**Date:** Mon, 1 Mar 2010 18:38:34 -0500 (EST)

**From:** Tom Blaeser <tblaeser@yucca.net>

**To:** Tom Blaeser <tblaeser@yucca.net>

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Message text follows:

Tom Blaeser  
224 Kansas  
Portales, NM 88130-7121

March 1, 2010

Dear Governor Richardson:

Please oppose the reimposition of the food tax in New Mexico, either at the state or local level.

I have four children at home and I feel this tax hurts the middle class that doesn't receive any help. I think this tax is targeted at middle class with children.

As a family we do not eat out, except for special occasions and when we are out of town. With that said our grocery bill for 2009 was approximately \$12000.00. So 5% would increase my grocery bill by \$600.00 (8% would be \$960.00).

I believe we should raise revenue in ways that are less regressive and less harmful to New Mexico's working families than a tax on groceries. I urge you to resist any efforts to tax New Mexicans' food!

Sincerely,

Tom Blaeser



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**Subject:**NO to the Food Tax and the Legislative body it rode in on

**Date:**Tue, 2 Mar 2010 09:42:36 -0500 (EST)

**From:**Ray Gulick <ray@evowebdev.com>

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Message text follows:

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March 2, 2010

Dear Governor Richardson:

Please oppose the reimposition of the food tax in New Mexico, either at the state or local level.

If the regressive food tax passes it will reveal New Mexico's legislature as a body bereft of common sense or compassion. Once people understand how it works, there will be a great deal of anger. I for one, will work to make sure that anger is directed toward the legislators who enacted it.

Sincerely,

Ray Gulick

