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Dear Ms. Preston,

As a taxpayer, I am generally OK with subsidizing non-profit groups through tax exemption, because many of them are engaged in activities that contribute to a better world.

As a person who works with a nonprofit 501c3 organization, we appreciate being free of a tax burden since we have little money to spare—though the forms that we are required to fill out are onerous. However, my real objection is that churches are exempt from the same requirements for financial disclosure.

Taxpayers have a right to know which organizations are exempt from taxation, and we have a right to review general financial information—of all tax exempt groups, whether they are religious or not.

Please treat churches and religious groups the same as other nonprofits. Churches should not be exempt from disclosure requirements that are required of all other 501c3 organizations.

Thank you for your consideration.

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