

# ARTICLES OF EMPOWERMENT

*AMERICANS DESERVE THE FREEDOM TO THRIVE  
AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUCCEED*

## THEY NEED EMPOWERMENT, NOT ENTITLEMENT

Article I – Policies should not increase the size of the federal government.

Article II – Policies should not increase the dependency on the federal government.

Article III – Policies should not decrease the freedoms to manage one's own affairs.

Article IV – Policies should not require spending that will be paid for by our children.

Article V – Policies should have measurable goals.

*I still firmly believe in our founding principle of a government of the people, by the people and for the people. I believe government should empower individuals and businesses to be successful in the economy rather than enact policies that make them more dependent on the federal government.*

*Americans are looking for a new direction from Washington, but they aren't finding it. The policies being proposed today are creating uncertainty for employers trying to create new jobs and grow their businesses, restricting credit on Main Street and creating higher costs for consumers. We cannot continue down this path of entitlement; it simply does not work. Instead, we must embrace the principles of empowerment and recognize our own accountability. My priority will be championing legislation that will empower hardworking families and businesses and highlighting misguided proposals that increase entitlement.*

“A WISE AND FRUGAL GOVERNMENT, WHICH SHALL LEAVE MEN FREE TO  
REGULATE THEIR OWN PURSUITS OF INDUSTRY AND IMPROVEMENT, AND SHALL  
NOT TAKE FROM THE MOUTH OF LABOR THE BREAD IT HAS EARNED - THIS IS THE  
SUM OF GOOD GOVERNMENT.”

~ THOMAS JEFFERSON ~