



Taxpayer Advocate Coalition Releases Statement on IRS Actions Offering Limited Taxpayer Relief

Washington, D.C. (January 27, 2022) – The Tax Professionals United for Taxpayer Relief coalition have released a statement in response to recent actions by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to suspend “some notices to taxpayers” for the upcoming tax filing season:

“We appreciate that the IRS has halted ‘automated notices in cases where a payment has been credited to a taxpayer, but no return has been processed.’ This is a good first step in offering relief to taxpayers. However, in our experience, the majority of erroneous notices are a result of numerous other circumstances where taxpayers are crying out for help, especially the underserved and minority communities. The IRS should temporarily suspend all automated compliance actions as they did with the onset of the COVID pandemic. Furthermore, we believe that if all the recommendations made by this coalition are implemented, it will go a long way to help taxpayers, tax practitioners and the IRS better navigate through this difficult tax season. Simply put, more is needed to offer meaningful relief to individuals and small businesses, and we urge the IRS to implement all of our recommendations.”

The Tax Professionals United for Taxpayer Relief Coalition is comprised of American Institute of CPAs (AICPA), together with Latino Tax Pros, National Association of Black Accountants, Inc. (NABA), National Association of Enrolled Agents (NAEA), National Association of Tax Professionals (NATP), National Conference of CPA Practitioners (NCCPAP), National Society of Accountants (NSA), National Society of Black Certified Public Accountants, Inc. (NSBCPA), National Society of Tax Professionals (NSTP), Padgett Business Services, the Diverse Organization of Firms (DOF), H&R Block and Prosperity Now.

About the Tax Practitioners United for Taxpayer Relief Coalition

The Tax Practitioners United for Taxpayer Relief Coalition is an unprecedented, diverse group of stakeholders from the tax practitioner community including those representing Latinos, African Americans, small businesses and low-income taxpayers. The Coalition was formed in response to current issues with the IRS’ quality of service for taxpayers and tax practitioners and provide recommendations to address these issues.