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**The Honorable Anthony Williams**  
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**The Honorable Eleanor Holmes Norton**  
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**Re: Public Statement on Taxation Without Representation  
Motto**

Joe Strand  
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Dear Mayor Williams, Congresswoman Norton and Chairwoman Cropp:

John W. Nields, Jr.  
D.C. Bar President-Elect

This letter is prompted by District of Columbia officials' consideration of a policy that would allow D.C. residents to display the "Taxation Without Representation" motto on their license tags. As we understand it, this policy is intended to educate and inform the public that District of Columbia residents have been deprived of voting representation in the United States Congress even though they pay substantial federal taxes each year. The District of Columbia Affairs Section wholeheartedly supports every lawful means of getting this important message out to the American people.

Eric T. Fingerhut  
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Sincerely,

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