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Dear Montana Taxpayers,

As I meet with Montanans in every corner of our state, I hear the same concern often – property taxes are too high. And they're right. Property taxes are too high, and they need to be reined in.

The state receives only a small fraction of property tax revenues, with the vast majority going to local jurisdictions – counties, cities, towns, and school districts.

And even though the state receives a small portion of property tax revenues, I understand the impact rising property taxes have on you and other hardworking Montanans. That's why I crafted my 2025 budget to provide you and other Montana homeowners with meaningful property tax relief. This year, we once again got property tax relief across the finish line.

Because of our focused efforts to provide property tax relief, you and more than 300,000 other Montana homeowners may qualify for a property tax rebate for your primary residence – with up to \$400 available this year. I also signed into a law a permanent property tax rate cut for Montana homeowners for the place they call home, which will take effect over the course of 2025 and 2026.

Please see the enclosed letter from the Montana Department of Revenue for details on the Montana Property Tax Rebate.

While property tax rebates provide temporary relief, we've seen property taxes rise too much as some local governments grow their spending at alarming rates. That's why I was proud to sign the permanent property tax rate cut into law to provide you and other homeowners with significant, long-term property tax relief. If you qualify for the rebate, you also qualify for the lower property tax rate. **By** applying for the rebate, you will be enrolled for the lower tax rate.

It's my honor to serve you. My door is always open. Don't hesitate to reach out to me for anything.

Sincerely,

Greg Gianforte Governor