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Dear Friend,

As you may know, several proposed budget cuts are in the works for all parts of programs funded by the State of Illinois. This includes the University of Illinois, University of Illinois Extension, and some specific line item funding we offer. By way of keeping our legislators informed about Extension, 4-H and Youth, Master Gardeners, Master Naturalists, SNAP-ed, and all of our other groups and programs, we can better inform legislators about activities. After some discussion with the Extension Council, I am asking if you would consider contacting your Illinois State Senator and Illinois State Representative and tell them about your involvement with Extension.

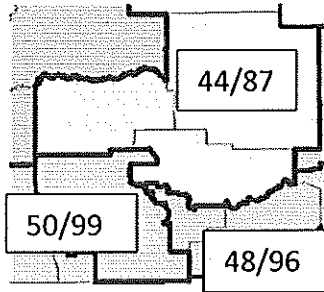
We are not going to ask for specific funding levels or anything like that – just simply tell how Extension and its programs affect you and those around you. It's a great way to keep Extension highly visible, and inform our legislators about our programs and impact. I would ask that you identify a program as being associated with University of Illinois Extension, since many may not understand 4-H or Master Gardeners (as examples) are associated with Extension. I have included a listing of legislative districts and Springfield Office contacts for senators and representatives who represent portions of our Extension Unit.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

John Fulton  
County Extension Director

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