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Hillary Clinton,
Democrat

I want to thank the Circle of Protection for your commitment to ending hunger and poverty. And for your advocacy on behalf of our most vulnerable children and families. America's faith communities have always stood together to protect services for those in need. The work you do could not be more important, or more timely.

Americans have worked hard to come back from the financial crisis. But we're not yet running, as we should. Even as our economy is recovering, too many are left behind. More than 45 million American are still living in poverty. And there are 1.7 million more children living in poverty today then there were in 2008. We have an obligation as a society to change that.

That's why I'm proposing an agenda that will raise incomes. And get our economy working for everyone. This will be my mission as president from my first day to my last.

If you work hard, you should be paid fairly. That means raising the minimum wage. And cracking down on companies that exploit workers. We also need to take on the major strains in family budgets. Like the cost to prescription drugs, and childcare.

And we need to make sure working parents have paid family leave, and earned sick days. But we can't forget those Americans who are being left out of our workforce altogether. Including millions of young people, and particularly young men of color. You know I believe talent is universal, but opportunity is not. We need to make sure children from all zip codes, and backgrounds have a chance at a brighter future. We can do so by investing in education at every level beginning with preschool.

I'm running for president because I want to build an America for tomorrow. Where no one is left behind. And every child can live up to his or her God given potential. Together I know we can make this a reality.

Thank you for what you have done. And what you will do in the future.