

Subject **From Senator Rick Scott**
From Senator Rick Scott <policy@rickscott.senate.gov>
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Dear Mr. Watts,

Thank you for contacting me regarding the Democrats' government shutdown. I appreciate the opportunity to respond.

The government should never shut down. While Democrats spent more than 40 days putting their liberal wish list over the American people by voting against funding the government, millions of Americans suffered, our troops, federal law enforcement, FAA, and federal employees worried about their next paychecks, and families reliant on food stamps for their next meal went hungry. This kind of dysfunction is horrible for the American people, our country, and our economy, and it's something we've seen too often in Washington.

One of Congress's basic duties is to fund our government and ensure Americans can rely on the programs and resources they need. That's why, for years, I have fought to pass my bipartisan [No Budget, No Pay Act](#), which would prevent Members of Congress from receiving taxpayer-funded salaries if they fail to do their job to pass a budget. I'm also working with my colleague, Senator Ron Johnson, to pass the Eliminate Shutdowns Act, which will take the possibility of government shutdowns off the table completely. I'll keep working to hold members of Congress accountable to their basic job of passing a budget that fits the needs of the American people.

Again, thank you for contacting me with your concerns. I am proud to represent all Floridians, and I appreciate the time you took to share your position on this matter. Should you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rick Scott".

Rick Scott
United States Senator

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