

Washington, Apr 9 - U.S. Congressman Mike Pence was recognized today for his [outstanding pro-taxpayer voting record](#) last year



Congressman Pence at an event advocating for lower taxes and fiscal restraint

by the nation's largest taxpayer group, the nonpartisan National Taxpayers Union (NTU).

"Given today's economic climate, fiscal discipline is more important now than ever," NTU President Duane Parde said.

"Fortunately, taxpayers have a staunch ally in Congressman Mike Pence, to whom National Taxpayers Union is proud to present a 'Taxpayers' Friend Award.'"

"Mike Pence's pro-taxpayer score of 88 percent was one of the best in the entire Congress," Parde said. **"By voting time and again to reduce federal spending, taxes, and debt, Pence has led by example in the fight to defend overburdened taxpayers across the country."**

"If every Member of Congress were as principled as Congressman Pence, current and future generations of Americans could enjoy much lower taxes and a less wasteful government," Parde concluded. **"Hard-working families in Indiana's Sixth Congressional District and across the nation owe Congressman Pence a debt of gratitude for his/her effort on their behalf. Congressman Pence has truly earned the title 'Taxpayers' Friend.'"**

Background:

The award is given to Representatives and Senators who achieve an "A" grade in NTU's annual Rating of Congress. The Rating, which is based on every roll call vote affecting fiscal policy, assigns a "Taxpayer Score" to each Member of Congress that indicates his or her support for reducing or controlling federal spending, taxes, debt, and regulation. For 2008, a total of 182 House and 104 Senate votes were selected.

NTU is a nonpartisan, nonprofit citizen group founded in 1969 to work for lower taxes, smaller government, and economic freedom at all levels.

Note: The 2008 Rating and a searchable Rating database from 1992 to 2008 is available [HERE](#)

For questions about the Rating, its history, or methodology, please contact NTU Vice President for Policy and Communications Pete Sepp or NTU Communications Manager Natasha Altamirano at (703) 683-5700.