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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Who will speak up for the poor?

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As tough as times are, with serious scrimping and saving, our little family is making it. Many families, however, are not. Here in the United States and around the globe, too many do not have enough to eat, clean water to drink or a safe shelter to call home. But with help from you and me, programs that protect and support the poor and hungry can make a world of difference.

The mother across our street depends on SNAP (food stamps) to feed her little girls. The father in Honduras is proud to provide for his family, and with the help of foreign aid and some simple training in sustainable agriculture, he'll do just that.

We are *all* God's children. And as the Super Committee gets to work, we must speak out and form a circle of protection around the least of our brothers and sisters. Please tell Indiana Sens. Dan Coats and Richard Lugar and Rep. Joe Donnelly that programs such as SNAP and foreign aid are too important to cut. The rich have powerful allies in Washington. The poor have you and me. And they need our voices. Because if we don't speak up for them, who will?

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