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## **President Bush: Working to Ease Burden on Taxpayers**

*First 100 days show Bush doing what he promised*

**WASHINGTON** – Sunday, April 29, 2001, marked President George W. Bush's 100<sup>th</sup> day in office. The President has made a concerted effort to secure tax relief for working Americans who pay income taxes and is close to achieving his goal.

Grover Norquist, president of Americans for Tax Reform, issued the following statement on the President's first 100 days and his accomplishments during that period:

"President Bush ran on a platform of working with Congress, in a bipartisan fashion, to secure meaningful tax relief for working Americans. We're just weeks away from realizing that goal, and on behalf of all taxpayers, we want to thank him for standing firm on his tax relief proposal.

"Tax relief is coming for working Americans, thanks to the President's strong and decisive leadership on this issue.

"When we consider that the likes of Tom Daschle, Dick Gephardt, and Tom Harkin, who in the past never met a tax increase they didn't like, now favor some form of tax relief, it's easy to see that the President has won this battle because of his strong leadership.

"But the President's accomplishments don't end with imminent tax relief. He has begun to set a national policy agenda on education reform to make certain that schools are held more accountable and that the schools' focus should be on results.

"In addition, the President has shown he understands the importance of foreign relations by already meeting with 20 heads of state. Moreover, he handled the recent situation with China with the deftness of a foreign policy veteran.

"Lastly, the President understands the importance of being visible and accessible to the people. He has already visited 26 states in 21 days of travel during his term thus far. That's more than any other President this early in their terms in history. This explains his positive poll numbers. 63 percent of those surveyed in a recent ABC News/Washington Post poll approve of the job President Bush is doing. Interestingly, 39 percent of Democrats approve of the job he's doing. Clearly, his efforts to create a new tone in Washington have worked, and a significant number of Democrats agree."

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