### The Complete National Penny Project Kit

# 1) Welcome to the Future of your choice!

This is our Moment in History! Our Time to Shine! Citizens can now take direct and immediate action to resolve the fiscal conundrum that we find ourselves facing in the National Debt and the interest component of our national budget. We can simply give something back to our great & beloved Country to retire our National Debt.

This patriotic choice of action is made possible for citizens of all ages by a little known federal law, Public Law 87-58 (P.L. 87-58), signed into law by President John F. Kennedy over 40 years ago to empower every citizen to contribute money to the U.S. government on the condition that it is only used to retire America's National Debt. This statute of empowerment has sparked America's willingness to voluntarily pitch in to retire the debt, with the result that in one year (FY 1994) citizens voluntarily donated over \$20 million to Debt retirement and the Country was actually running a surplus in 1999. What we did then, we can do again!

# 2) It takes a seed to have a harvest.

We all have jars of pennies in our closets and drawers collecting dust that we can put to work for America! The United States Mint reports that there are more \$2 billion in pennies sitting idle in our penny jars across the Country...why not mobilize these resources for our Country, our kids and our future? The penny is a seed planted in the rich soil of gratitude and thanksgiving for all the blessing our Land of Liberty has bestowed upon us. And as we turn in our penny jars across the Nation to come to the aid of America, we will trigger a great wave of voluntary contributions from citizens of all ages and Corporate America: Imagine the contribution of 1% of annual corporate revenue to retire the National Debt! Join the Partnership for America's Future and Say "YES!" to America's tomorrow. By pitching in these idle resources, we can become the stewards of our Country and our children's future. And through The National Penny Project, each citizen has the opportunity to exercise Choice, Stewardship, Reciprocity and Unity – the Four Foundations of Citizenship. This is Democracy in Action!

### 3) Never underestimate the power of a penny!

Each of the \$15 Trillion making up the National Debt is made up of 100 pennies! At other historic moments, citizens have donated pennies to great effect: pennies built the base for Lady Liberty in New York City and rebuilt the U.S.S. Constitution. And \$200,000 in pennies went to help the victims of the building bombing in Oklahoma City. People are pitching in pennies every day to buy back the rainforests in South America and to save the whole planet's ozone layer. Here are some examples of creative voluntary citizen initiatives to retire America's Debt:

- Larry Villella, a 14 year old entrepreneur for Fargo, North Dakota donated \$1,000.
- Frank Mirizio's government class of Corona Del Sol High School in Tempe, Arizona raised and donated \$16,000 by selling T-shirts for the Debt.
- Fifth graders of Oxford, Ohio held a bake sale and contributed \$278.50 to Debt Retirement.
- Eskimo Pie Corporation donated over \$72,000 to Debt Retirement by contributing 5 cents per box of Pies sold for only 1 month.
- 1001 Corporation, owner of La Prima and Via Cucina restaurants in Washington, DC, contributed \$10,000 from sales of its "Deficit Reduction Special Sandwich."
- Operation Wipeout, a senior group in Alexandria, Minnesota, held an auction and donated \$3,500 to Debt Retirement.
- Students from Metro Community College and Bellevue High School in Nebraska donated \$172 and \$300, respectively, to retire the Debt.
- Four fifth grade students from Pine Forest Elementary School in Little Rock, Arkansas (The Deficit Deductors), donated \$390 from selling pickles to their teachers and classmates for 4 months.

#### 4) What we cannot do alone, we can do together. Together, we shine!

The power of numbers: with over 313 million citizens of all ages in America, the small actions of individuals add up. The power of one person, multiplied by others acting in agreement accumulates into serious change. And the change is simple – just turn in that penny jar to retire the National Debt under P.L. 87-58. The Penny Project is simple; just follow these steps:

- Contact a bank near you to count the pennies and electronically transmit the sum to the Bureau of the Public Debt under P.L. 87-58.
- Select a date to have Girl Scouts turn the penny jars collected in a Penny Rally
- Identify the location where the Penny Rally will be held (malls, shopping centers, etc.)

- Contact the location to get permission for the Penny Rally
- Contact the local media to announce the date for the Penny Rally
- Contact the local media again to ensure they will cover the Penny Rally

# 5) Our choices will change our world.

The vision of a debt free America will reinvigorate our People and rescue our Nation. Without a Vision the People perish because the Vision is the unifying factor. A common Vision will move mountains as it has done in the past.

# 6) Let's Get Rollin', America!

Join Team America, today and organize a Penny Rally near you.

IF NOT US, WHO? IF NOT NOW, WHEN?

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