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To our Valued Client:

Greetings and Happy New Year!

The staff at Haick Accounting Services would like to take this opportunity to thank you for letting us prepare your Personal and/or Business Income Tax Returns.

Our company has proudly provided tax & accounting services for over 40 years and our goal has always been to give you the highest quality service available.

First and foremost, as we all have read and seen in the news, 2018 has brought <u>significant changes to the tax code</u>. For most clients this will result in decreased tax liability and in turn more income to your household. For some clients, this will mean a simpler tax return but these clients will be in the minority. Most clients tax returns will become more complicated or stay at the same level as years past. The reason for this is two-fold. First, although the Federal Government has touted simplification, they have also implemented a new tax deduction which will require in-depth analysis and calculation for most taxpayers qualifying for it. Secondly, the State of New York has NOT implemented the federal tax law changes and their tax laws will maintain the federal tax laws from 2017 and prior. In other words, the 2018 Federal Return will be prepared using the new laws but New York will be prepared using the old laws.

The *Income Tax Itemizer*, a guide when gathering your 2018 personal income tax information; the *Rental Guide Sheet*, a guide when gathering your rental property tax information; and the *Business Guide Sheet*, a guide when gathering your small business tax information and our office does <u>not</u> do your bookkeeping are now available <u>online</u> at http://haick.com/tax-itemizers.html download and print. Please review them carefully as there have been some significant changes this year. If you would still like them mailed to you, please call our office at 716-695-9542 and we will mail a packet promptly to you. <u>Please remember to use the most updated Itemizers available on our website;</u> they are updated each year to reflect changes in the law.

Additionally, as in past years, we will be offering a new EZ Express Service for dependents. Any children in college or under the age of 18 that you claim as a dependent can use our new *EZ EXPRESS INCOME TAX ITEMIZER*, also available **online** at http://haick.com/tax-itemizers.html. They can drop off the Itemizer with their tax documents and we will process the return at a discounted rate without having to make an appointment!

Most tax payers will continue to receive a form this year which reports your health insurance details to the Internal Revenue Service. A form 1095-A, 1095-B or 1095-C will be mailed to you from your insurance company. You must bring this form with you to your tax appointment or it could **delay the processing of your tax return**. If you do not receive one, please call your insurance company in advance of your scheduled appointment.

For taxpayers who have been subject to identity theft, you will receive an **Identity Protection PIN Letter** from the Internal Revenue Service. It is *imperative* you bring this letter to your tax appointment or it will **delay the processing of your tax return**. If you do not receive this letter, please call the Internal Revenue Service at 1-800-908-4490 to retrieve your PIN number.

Lastly, New York State is requiring all individuals filing an income tax, children included, to bring in and present their **Drivers License** during their tax appointment. We as preparers are required to enter data off the front and back of your license into the tax return before filing; failure to do so will result in a **lengthy delay of your New York tax refund**.

If you have any questions or need additional information about preparing your 2018 Income Taxes, please feel free to call our office.

Wishing you a happy and healthy New Year!

Sincerely Yours,

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