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To all my valued clients:

I want to thank all of you for your business in my first tax season! I know you have options for your tax preparation, and I appreciate the chance to provide those services for you.

I know everyone has been hearing about the expansion of the IRS recently. Hopefully, that will mean a faster and improved IRS, but time will tell if these changes succeed.

- The IRS is now using newer technology to identify problems or potential irregularities in tax returns, giving taxpayers a reminder to **keep paperwork and receipts** in good order.
- The 2023 inflation adjusted **standard deductions** will start at \$27,700 for married taxpayers, \$13,850 for single taxpayers, and \$20,800 for those filing as heads of households.
- The IRS is making a big effort to encourage all taxpayers to set up an **ID.me account** at irs.gov. This account allows you to access your record of filing, payments, and income. This account can provide you with valuable information especially if records or documents have been lost or if there is a question of identity theft.

For the 2023 tax season, my office will continue to accept drop-offs during office hours with no appointments needed for drop off or at pick up. Documents can now be securely sent to me at <https://emilystax.SecureFilePro.Com>, and returns can now be e-signed through this portal as well, but this is optional. Clients can still schedule appointments if they prefer, and basic returns are finished during that time. We can be reached by phone or email year-round if there are questions or concerns. Also, Emily's Bookkeeping & Tax Service Facebook page and EmilyTax.com offer useful information and resources.

As I am sure you are all experiencing rising prices in your personal lives, the costs associated with running my business have also risen. While I try to keep my costs as low as possible so that I do not have too much to pass along to customers, most of you will see an increase of around \$10 (\$5 for seniors) if your returns are like last year. Some of you with more complex returns may see greater increases based on the amount of time required to complete the return. I believe that my prices will still be very reasonable, and we will continue to strive to provide clients with a valuable service. I look forward to this coming tax season!

Sincerely,

Emily Thyer,

IRS Enrolled Agent