

IRS PHONE SCAM ALERT!!

THERE IS A PHONE SCAM CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS ACROSS THE NATION. CALLERS CLAIM TO BE FROM THE IRS, AND DEMAND TAX PAYMENTS BY PRE-PAID DEBIT CARD OR WIRE TRANSFER. THOSE WHO REFUSE TO PAY ARE THREATENED WITH ARREST, DEPORTATION, OR LOSS OF A BUSINESS OR DRIVER'S LICENSE. **YOU SHOULD KNOW THE FOLLOWING:**

- 1. THE IRS WILL FIRST CONTACT PEOPLE BY MAIL, NOT BY PHONE!**
- 2. THE IRS WILL NOT ASK FOR PAYMENT BY EITHER OF THOSE FORMS**
- 3. THE IRS WILL NEVER REQUEST PERSONAL OR FINANCIAL INFORMATION BY EMAIL, TEXTING, OR OTHER SOCIAL MEDIA.**

IF YOU GET A CALL FROM SOMEONE CLAIMING TO BE WITH THE IRS, OR OTHER "TAX" OR "REVENUE" AGENCY, HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO:

IF YOU THINK YOU MAY OWE TAXES, HANG UP AND CALL THE IRS AT 1-800-829-1040

IF YOU DON'T OWE TAXES, CALL AND REPORT THE INCIDENT TO THE TREASURY INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR TAX ADMINISTRATION AT 1-800-366-4484.

YOU CAN FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION AT: FTC.GOV. ADD "IRS TELEPHONE SCAM" TO THE COMMENTS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON TAX SCAMS, GO TO WWW.IRS.GOV

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