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Republicans are circulating a petition that would force House Speaker Nancy Pelosi to allow all earmarks to be publicly disclosed and debated. The petition requires 218 signatures, in order to succeed; the support of fiscally responsible House Democrats is needed.

So far 193 Members have signed on. Unfortunately, after Democrats won the majority by campaigning on the promise of more transparency in Congress, there hasn't been one Democrat to add their name to the petition as of now.

Disclosure alone will not solve the earmark problem. But it's a start, and Democrats refuse to even do that.