## **Dear Friends**,

What kind of Spring are we going to have? Is it going to be 70's next month and extremely dry? Is it going to be 20's and lots of snow? What damage is this weather pattern causing to our trees, bird migration, slumbering bears, and all the plants that might arise too early? A year after record snowfall, are we hitting the record for warmest and dryest? These extremes in weather are just the thing caused by global climate change.

After 50 years of denial and cover-up, I read that Exxon Mobile is trying to say that it is consumers, not the oil company, who should bear the blame and the costs associated with these extreme weather events and the damage they do to homes, communities, and states. After they have recorded a \$70 Billion profit in 2023. I saw an advertisement that says these weather events cost the taxpayers \$15 billion last year, Exxon Mobile could cover this and still have \$55 billion dollars left to buy yachts, private jets, and politicians. And don't forget, this multinational corporation got a \$465 million tax rebate last year, because it's hard to make all that money and not have something left over.

Until we make these types of corporations bear the true cost of their products and hold them accountable for all billions they spent over the years in lobbying, denying science, and misinformation, our weather patterns will continue to get increasingly worse with no funding to help mitigate the climate change and truly heal our planet.

Check out the UCC's <u>Vote for Climate Change</u> Campaign here.

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