# **Requirements to Claim Certain Tax Credits:**

To claim the <u>Earned Income Tax Credit</u> (EITC), <u>Child Tax Credit</u> (CTC), <u>Additional Child Tax Credit</u> (ACTC), <u>Credit for Other Dependents</u> (ODC), <u>American Opportunity Tax Credit</u> (AOTC), or <u>Head of Household</u> (HOH) filing status, specific due diligence requirements must be met.

## **Eligibility Documentation:**

- **Qualifying Child**: Must be your child, stepchild, foster child (placed by an authorized agency), grandchild, sibling, or their descendant (niece/nephew).
- Age: Under 19 at the end of the tax year, under 24 if a full-time student, or any age if permanently and totally disabled.
- **Residency**: Must have lived with you for more than half the year.

#### Schedule C (Profit or Loss from Business):

- **Proof of Business**: Evidence of business existence and income/expenses, such as:
  - Business License
  - Form 1099-MISC
  - Records of gross receipts and expenses
  - Business bank statements

## **Required Documents**:

- Social Security Card for taxpayer, spouse, and dependents
- Birth Certificate for each qualifying child/dependent
- Proof of residency for qualifying child/dependent, such as:
  - School records or statements
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Medical records or health care provider statements
  - Landlord/property management statements
  - Child care provider records
- Proof of disability if applicable, such as:
  - Doctor's statement
  - Other care provider statement

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE REGULATIONS, WE CANNOT PROCESS YOUR TAX RETURN WITHOUT THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION/INFORMATION