

HEALTH CARE FOR AMERICA NOW!

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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker
U.S. House of Representatives
H-232 US Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable John Spratt
Chairman, Committee on the Budget
U.S. House of Representatives
207 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Pelosi and Chairman Spratt:

Health Care for America Now is a national grassroots movement powered by millions of people working to win in 2009 a guarantee of quality, affordable health care we all can count on. We are writing to communicate our support for H.Con.Res.85, the FY2010 Budget Resolution, as reported out of committee. This resolution contains the necessary tools to support enactment of a guarantee of quality, affordable health care for everyone in America.

President Obama has said again and again that to fix our economy, we must fix health care and we must do it in 2009. We support the President and the Democratic leadership in their goal of enacting a guarantee of quality, affordable health care that includes the choice of keeping the health insurance you have or joining a new public health insurance plan with benefits that meet your needs. Health coverage should be affordable for individuals, families, and businesses, and result in equality in health care access, research, and resources to people and communities of color.

Thank you for your leadership in crafting a budget resolution enabling health care reform to happen this year. Your budget resolution includes reconciliation instructions that will prevent a minority of Members of Congress from blocking substantive health reform and a reserve fund that provides the authority and flexibility needed to enact health care reform legislation this year.

We cannot wait any longer for action. Our economy, our families, and our businesses are drowning in health care costs that are out of control. Every moment we wait, we fall farther behind. We are counting on Congress to make health care reform happen this year, and we commend you on your efforts.

Sincerely,



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