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Dear Chairman Ryan and Representative Van Hollen:

Congress this week is holding hearings on the economic impact of health care reform. We write to convey our strong conclusion that leaving in place the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 will significantly strengthen our nation's economy over the long haul and promote more rapid economic recovery in the immediate years ahead. Repealing the Affordable Care Act would cause needless economic harm and would set back efforts to create a more disciplined and more effective health care system.

Our conclusion is based on two economic principles. First, high medical spending harms our nation's workers, new job creation, and overall economic growth. Many studies demonstrate that employers respond to rising health insurance costs by reducing wages, hiring fewer workers, or some combination of the two. Lack of universal coverage impairs job mobility as well because many workers pass up opportunities for self-employment or positions working for small firms because they fear losing their health insurance or facing higher premiums.

Second, the Affordable Care Act contains essentially every cost-containment provision policy analysts have considered effective in reducing the rate of medical spending. These provisions include:

- *Payment innovations* such as greater reimbursement for patient-centered primary care; bundled payments for hospital care, physician care, and other medical services provided for a single episode of care; shared savings approaches or capitation payments that reward accountable provider groups that assume responsibility for the continuum of a patient's care; and pay-for-performance incentives for Medicare providers.
- *An Independent Payment Advisory Board* with authority to make recommendations to reduce cost growth and improve quality within both Medicare and the health system as a whole
- *A new Innovation Center within the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services* charged with streamlining the testing of demonstration and pilot projects in Medicare and rapidly expanding successful models across the program
- *Measures to inform patients and payers about the quality of medical care providers*, which provide relatively low-quality, high-cost providers financial incentives to improve their care
- *Increased funding for comparative effectiveness research*

- *Increased emphasis on wellness and prevention*

Taken together, these provisions are likely to reduce employer spending on health insurance. Estimates suggest spending reductions ranging from tens of billions of dollars to hundreds of billions of dollars. Because repealing our nation's new health reform law would eliminate the above provisions, it would increase business spending on health insurance, and hence reduce employment.

One study concludes that repealing the Affordable Care Act would produce job reductions of 250,000 to 400,000 annually over the next decade. Worker mobility would be impaired as well, as people remain locked into less productive jobs just to get health insurance.

The budgetary impact of repeal also would be severe. The Congressional Budget Office concludes that repealing the Affordable Care Act would increase the cumulative federal deficit by \$230 billion over the next decade, and would further increase the deficit in later years. Other studies suggest that the budgetary impact of repeal is even greater. State and local governments would face even more serious fiscal challenges if the Affordable Care Act were repealed, as they would lose substantial resources provided under the new law while facing the burdens of caring for 32 million more uninsured people. Repeal, in short, would thus make a difficult budget situation even worse.

Rather than undermining health reform, Congress needs to make the Affordable Care Act as successful as it can be. This would be as good for our economy as it would be for the health of our citizens.

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