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The Honorable Ron Wyden  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator *Ron* Wyden:

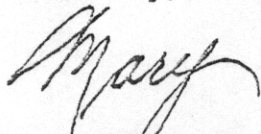
The Healthcare Leadership Council, a coalition of chief executives of the nation's leading health care companies and institutions, applauds your bipartisan efforts to improve health care and to raise awareness of the needs of the over 40 million uninsured Americans.

Your legislation, "The Health Care that Works for All Americans Act," commits to a national discussion of the health care concerns of everyday Americans, focusing on all aspects of health care delivery, including quality, cost, and coverage. Further, the legislation requires Congress to consider the resulting consumer recommendations and proposals. HLC supports this national dialogue and Congressional action on these critical issues.

The growing number of uninsured Americans is HLC's top priority and we believe that it should be a top policy priority for the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress. The HLC is committed to working with Congress to find solutions for covering the uninsured and believes that all Americans should have access to high quality, affordable care that is unencumbered by excessive regulation and government intervention.

Your leadership on this important health policy issue is commendable and we look forward to working with you in the coming months.

Sincerely,



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