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Dear Governor Corbett.



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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Harrisburg

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As a follow up to my letter dated July 26, 2012, I am re-sending this letter with the additional signatures of several House Members. After reviewing the recent Supreme Court ruling that gives Pennsylvania the flexibility to legally opt out of implementing some of the most financially harmful provisions of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), we believe it is in the best interest of our Commonwealth to prevent these costs from being passed onto hardworking Pennsylvania taxpayers.

We write to urge you to opt out of the Medicaid provision of the ACA which represents a costly government expansion that is sure to increase the cost of living for our residents and severely harm the economic growth of our Commonwealth. As you are aware, massive entitlement expansion of the Medicaid program would add a \$2 billion tax burden to residents of our Commonwealth.

Additionally, we urge you to opt out of creating the insurance "exchanges" that we believe will translate into higher insurance premiums for our hardworking residents. This belief is corroborated by the Congressional Budget Office which shows that insurance premiums available on state exchanges will only continue to increase under the ACA. At a time when our state is focused on job creation and economic growth, the harm imposed by these provisions will not serve the best interest of our Commonwealth's residents.

We believe the answer to continually rising healthcare costs is not the imposition of a costly government program, but a free market system that offers better choices for our residents, increases the accountability of providers, and encourages personal responsibility. The ACA puts forward none of these solutions and we urge you to opt out of participating in its most harmful provisions.

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