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Dear Mr President:

I am very concerned about health care. This country has one of the worlds best health care systems. It accounts for a sixth of the economy and is our fastest growing sector. There remains a long standing problem with access to it. Medicare, edicaid and the veterans health system have all been very successful but the rest of the system has been problematic. Employer based insurance has the problem of keeping people from moving positions, making the economy less flexible and innovative. Health issues are also implicated in keeping growth down by keeping many people out of the workforce, contributing to a long slow decline in participation. Congress has once again failed to act. The administration has several options to act decisively and improve health care on its own. Promising to maintain insurance payments and enforce existing tax law would be a good start.

Please assure me that you will step in to stabilize health insurance markets.

I am very proud to be a US citizen and a large part of that derives from our effective government regulation.

Sincerely, Eric Babson