

[Date]

The Honorable \_\_\_\_\_

[Street Address]

[City, State ZIP]

Dear [\_\_\_\_\_]:

As your constituent, I ask that you support the Stupak and Pitts amendments that exclude abortion mandates, prevent federal funding of abortion, uphold state laws that regulate abortion, and protect the conscience rights of health care providers.

Although I believe that our nation's health care system is in need of significant reform, any effort to force Americans to pay for abortions – either through government funding or mandatory coverage – is morally wrong, and it should not be pursued. I am similarly opposed to any provisions which would turn health care reform into a vehicle for the repeal of conscience protections – for decades, Congress has respected the right of health care providers to decline involvement in abortion or abortion referrals, and I encourage you not to undue these meaningful safeguards.

It is entirely possible to craft legislation which will assist uninsured and underinsured Americans without jeopardizing principals – such as freedom of conscience – which have guided our public policies many years. As your constituent, I urge you to do so.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my opinion on health care legislation. Please inform me how you intend to vote on this bill.

Sincerely,