

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

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Dear Colleague,

We strongly support the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and are encouraged by the Steering and Policy Committee's decision to look at proactive steps to improve the law and the American health care system.

Although the ACA made tremendous progress in covering more than 20 million people, we acknowledge that many families struggle with costs, particularly the six to eight percent of Americans who purchase insurance on the individual market. While our Republican colleagues decided to pursue a reckless repeal agenda, we decided we needed to take positive steps to address these concerns without tearing down the things that make the ACA successful.

Over the last several months, we have met with constituents, health policy experts, and health care providers to discuss how we can improve and strengthen the individual market. As a result of these conversations, earlier this summer we proposed a collection of reforms and commitments to policies that will stabilize the individual market and make health care more affordable for American families. We have enclosed our proposal, and hope you will consider it when examining policies to improve the ACA.

Again, thank you for your dedication to helping America's families, and your attention to our priorities.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure: Solutions over Politics: Stabilizing & Improving the Individual Market

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