



October 29, 2009

Speaker Nancy Pelosi
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable John Dingell
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Dear Speaker Pelosi and Representative Dingell,

Families USA, the national voice for health care consumers, is pleased to formally endorse H.R. 3962, the Affordable Health Care for America Act. The bill will provide America's families with peace of mind by ensuring that affordable, high-quality health coverage and care will not be taken away from them, even when they get sick, have a pre-existing condition, or lose their jobs.

Families USA especially lauds the House proposal because it makes health coverage affordable to families most in need. It does so by ensuring that the Medicaid safety-net program will become available for families with incomes below 150 percent of the federal poverty level – approximately \$33,000 in annual income for a family of four. The bill also provides needed subsidies so that health insurance premiums are affordable for working families.

We urge the House to adopt this bill as soon as possible. We will mobilize families across the country to secure final passage of the legislation this year. The cost of doing nothing is far too great and, working with you, we look forward to enacting the Affordable Health Care for America Act into law.

Sincerely,

Ronald F. Pollack
Executive Director