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Dear Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary of Health & Human Services,

Thank you for making this landmark decision requiring health insurers to cover the full cost of contraception, with no co-pay, beginning in August 2012!

This is a significant not only for women's health, but for the the health of families and our entire society. Planned pregnancy is one of the best ways to make parents prepared and children well-cared for. Reducing unplanned pregnancies also reduces the ill-effects of population growth.

This policy places a much-needed importance on women's health that is too-often not a priority in health care policy. Birth control is a critical part of preventive care, and making contraception available to all women, regardless of their insurance or ability to pay for it, will significantly reduce long-term health care costs associated with unplanned pregnancies.

Thank you for making basic health care needs a priority.

Sincerely,

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