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To whom it may concern,

It has been brought to my attention that there is a mandate in effect beginning on August, 1st, 2011, that disregards the rights we have as Americans to a "freedom of conscience".

Pregnancy is not a disease to be prevented and contraception should not be a mandated "preventive health service".

Respect for conscience is foundational to a just society. We as Americans are free to choose and this mandate removes a basic right. Please work quickly to ensure the rights of Employers and Insurance carriers to make decisions that best suit the people they serve.

Sincerely,  
JoAnn Kennedy