



An Appeal to All Catholic Parishioners *from Bishop Plácido Rodríguez, CMF*

My Dear People:

Congressional leaders are putting together their final **health care bills** for consideration by our elected leaders. Please contact your Representative and Senators today, urging them to fix these bills with language that

- continues to forbid both funding for abortions and mandating abortion coverage,
- includes “freedom of conscience” protection for medical personnel,
- is truly affordable for low-and-moderate-income households; and,
- includes health care coverage for immigrants.

If Congress fails to implement these changes, all conscientious Catholics will be called upon to vigorously oppose passage of the health care reform legislation, even though it’s sorely needed. Health care reform must be about the common good and *saving* lives, not *destroying* them.

ACTION:

Contact your Representative and Senators through e-mail, phone calls, or FAX letters.

Please see your Congressional contact information on the other side.

To send a pre-written, instant e-mail to Congress, simply go to www.usccb.org/action.

Please add concerns about affordability and immigrant care in the comment box.

YOUR MESSAGE to

SENATORS CORNYN and HUTCHISON:

*With either the following text or your own, similar, words, please express this conviction to the Senators or their aides: “During floor debate on the health care reform bill, please support an amendment to incorporate longstanding policies **against abortion funding** and **in favor of conscience rights**. I also support health care that is **affordable** and available to **immigrant** populations. If these serious concerns are not addressed, the final bill should be opposed.”*

YOUR MESSAGE to

REPRESENTATIVE NEUGEBAUER, THORNBERRY, or CONAWAY :

*With either the following text or your own, similar, words, please express this conviction to the Representatives or their aides: “Please support the Stupak Amendment that addresses **essential pro-life concerns on abortion funding and conscience rights** in the health care reform bill. Help ensure that the Rule for the bill allows a vote on this amendment. I also support health care that is **affordable** and available to **immigrant** populations. If these serious concerns are not addressed, the final bill should be opposed.”*

Both the House and the Senate are preparing for floor votes now. Please act right away! Thank you!

Sincerely yours in the Vineyard of the Lord,

+ Plácido Rodríguez, CMF



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TWO SENATORS REPRESENT ALL TEXANS

Please contact *both* Senator Cornyn and Senator Hutchison

Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

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E-mail: <http://hutchison.senate.gov/contact.html>

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517 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510

202-224-2934 Fax: 202-228-2856

E-mail: <http://cornyn.senate.gov/public/> go to the **CONTACT** link



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Please check the county listing for the name of your Representative

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