Model Letter to Request a Meeting with Your Council Member

Date

Name and Address of Council member’s scheduler

Dear [Name],

As one of your constituents, I would like to request a meeting with you to work with me and others in our community to introduce a resolution that supports passage of the Medicare for All Act of 2019 in the U.S. Congress [and state-level single-payer initiative if applicable].

In introducing a resolution, you would be joining council members in many cities and towns across the country, as well as state legislators who are taking similar actions.

Local governments often provide front-line response for community members who fall into poverty due to medical debt-related bankruptcies or experience deteriorating health or even die needlessly due to a lack of adequate health insurance. The Medicare for All Act of 2019 guarantees comprehensive and quality care for all, without copays, deductibles or high out-of-pocket costs. No one can be denied care or forced to use an emergency room because s/he has no doctor or coverage, and no one will be forced into poverty due to a health crisis.

An expanded and improved Medicare for All national health insurance system as proposed in the Medicare for All Act of 2019 would also lessen the fiscal burden on local governments. Across the nation, increasing shares of school board and municipal budgets are needed to meet health benefit costs, draining local government budgets of the resources they need to rebuild, renovate and restore the vitality of their communities.

I’d love to meet with you and talk about this important issue. When would be a good time for you? Kindly respond to me either by phone: [phone number] or by e-mail [email].

Thank you so much for considering this and I look forward to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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