December 2, 2015

Senator
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator:

On behalf of our 500,000 members nationwide, Concerned Women for America Legislative Action Committee (CWALAC) wishes to express our support for H.R. 3762, the Restoring Americans’ Healthcare Freedom Reconciliation Act of 2015. The bill repeals concerning language in the abysmal Affordable Care Act and diverts funds away from Planned Parenthood for one year. We encourage the House to pass the Senate version of this bill. CWALAC reserves the right to score in favor of the final vote.

The bill repeals language in the Affordable Care Act that subsidizes elective abortions through premium credits, perhaps one of the Affordable Care Act’s most controversial provisions, and strikes a fatal blow to the legislation, paving the way for a full repeal. Additionally, this bill calls for a one-year moratorium on federal funding made available to a state for payments to a prohibited entity, either through direct funding or through a managed-care organization, such as Medicaid. This would stop most funding for several mandatory programs like Medicaid to organizations like Planned Parenthood that are 501(c)(3) and 501(a) essential community providers for family planning and reproductive rights that receive over $350,000,000 of taxpayer monies annually.

Recent polls have found, yet again, that Americans are still not satisfied with the Affordable Care Act or their health care as a result of it. This bill’s passage would open the door for a full repeal of the cumbersome and unpopular health care legislation that is currently on the books and would be an important step for real health care reform. Additionally, the recent Planned Parenthood undercover video scandal is just one of many, and the organization should absolutely not receive taxpayer dollars while under congressional investigation by the House Judiciary Committee, the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, the House Energy and Commerce Committee, and the new Select Investigative Panel on Infant Lives.

For these reasons, we encourage the passage of H.R. 3762 and support the budget reconciliation efforts to rescind funds to organizations like Planned Parenthood as well as repealing the key provisions in the Affordable Care Act. If a vote is taken on the House floor, CWALAC reserves the right to score in favor of the final vote as well as against any efforts to strip the Planned Parenthood funding language.

Sincerely,

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