December 28, 2016

Dear Colleague:

Beginning in January, it is likely that Republican leaders in Congress will follow through on their threats to ram through a budget bill that will severely undermine the health care needs of the American people. Their budget will likely include:

- Taking away health care coverage for over 30 million Americans by dismantling the health care system;
- Ending guaranteed Medicare benefits for millions of older Americans by converting Medicare into a voucher program;
- Slashing Medicaid and threatening the nursing home care of over 4 million vulnerable seniors;
- Increasing prescription drug prices more than $1,000 a year for over 5 million seniors and persons with disabilities; and
- Passing a $4,800 tax hike on millions of average Americans, while providing hundreds of billions in tax breaks to the wealthiest people in this country.

It's important to bring the American people together to fight this radical proposal.

Millions of Americans voted for Donald Trump after he promised not to cut Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid. He must be held to his promises and should veto any legislation which cuts these vital and necessary health programs.
On Sunday, January 15th, ahead of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, there will be a day of action -- "Our First Stand: Save Health Care." Rallies will be held around the country to vigorously oppose the Republican plan to end Medicare as we know it and throw our health care system into chaos.

We need your help to organize a rally or other event in your own state.

For more information on how to organize your rally, please contact Warren Gunnel with Sen. Sanders.

Thank you very much for your leadership on this issue. We look forward to working with you to make each of these events a great success.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Schumer
United States Senator

Nancy Pelosi
House Democratic Leader

Bernard Sanders
United States Senator