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Dear New York Congressional Delegation:

I am writing to urge you to reject the One Big Beautiful Bill Act of 2025. This reconciliation bill will wreck New York's hospital system, strip health coverage from more than a million New Yorkers, and shift unsustainable costs to New York State.

The bill's restrictions on Affordable Care Act (ACA)/Essential Plan health insurance eligibility would cause New York's financially struggling hospitals to lose an unsustainable \$1.3 billion annually from soaring uncompensated care costs and plummeting revenues. In addition, hospitals will experience significant financial losses due to Medicaid-eligible individuals losing coverage. These provisions will harm all patients, not just those with Essential Plan and/or Medicaid coverage.

The bill's more than \$900 billion in "savings" over 10 years from Medicaid and ACA cuts will lead to drastic funding losses that New York State cannot possibly absorb. The required changes to financing, benefits, and eligibility resulting from these massive cuts will significantly diminish the State's Essential Plan and Medicaid programs. We believe more than a million eligible Medicaid beneficiaries in New York would lose coverage due to burdensome work requirements and eligibility checks, and remaining beneficiaries could see their benefits slashed. The bill will also dismantle financing mechanisms such as provider taxes and state-directed payments that are essential to the financial viability of New York's health care delivery system.

Gutting Medicaid and the State's Essential Plan will not address waste, fraud, or abuse, and it will not decrease the need for health care services.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kenneth E. Raske

President

