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LETTER OPTION 2 FROM EMPLOYEE ON BEHALF OF NOAH

Dear Congressman <LAST NAME>,

As an employee of NOAH <HEALTH CENTER> in district <#> and a constituent of district <#>, I'm writing today with a deep sense of urgency about the proposed cuts to Medicaid and the devastating impact they would have on Arizona — especially on organizations like Neighborhood Outreach Access to Health (NOAH) and the communities we both serve.

We've heard reassurances that Medicaid isn't on the table. But the math tells a different story. According to the Congressional Budget Office, Congress cannot meet the \$880 billion in required reductions without significantly cutting into Medicaid. If this budget resolution moves forward, deep cuts to AHCCCS — Arizona's Medicaid program — are all but guaranteed.

AHCCCS is the backbone of healthcare in Arizona, covering more than 2.5 million Arizonans — that's 1 in 3 residents. It's how children get checkups, how seniors afford prescriptions, and how pregnant women access prenatal care. In Maricopa County alone, over 1 million people rely on AHCCCS for essential health services.

NOAH serves nearly 50,000 patients every year across Maricopa County, from underserved neighborhoods in Phoenix and Glendale to communities in Scottsdale and beyond. Almost 50% of our patients — more than 24,000 people — depend on Medicaid for their care. These aren't abstract numbers. They are working families, kids, seniors, and neighbors who trust us to keep them healthy.

In the past year alone, NOAH has:

- Provided over 250,000 medical, dental, and behavioral health visits
- Delivered care in seven health centers
- Coordinated fresh food distribution for nearly 3,000 families
- Connected patients with housing, job assistance, and education services through our Community Health Workers and Community Resource teams

Without Medicaid, this critical work is at risk.

When people lose coverage, they don't stop getting sick — they just lose access to care. They show up in emergency rooms when it's already too late, driving up healthcare costs

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and straining hospital systems. For someone with diabetes, a missed appointment might mean an amputation. For a child with asthma, skipping an inhaler could mean an ER visit. These are preventable, expensive, and tragic outcomes.

Medicaid is not excess — it's efficiency. It keeps people healthier, reduces uncompensated care, and supports a stable healthcare workforce. NOAH employs over 300 local staff — providers, nurses, social workers, and support personnel. Medicaid cuts threaten not only patient care, but also local jobs and small business stability in your district.

Congressman, I understand the hard choices ahead. But gutting Medicaid is not fiscal responsibility — it's passing the buck to hospitals, local governments, and working families who can least afford it.

Please remember:

- Medicaid supports over \$15 billion in economic activity in Arizona annually
- Cuts would jeopardize tens of thousands of jobs across the state
- And more than 700,000 children in Arizona — over half of all kids — depend on AHCCCS to stay healthy

This is not just about budgets — it's about lives, families, and the future we're building here in Arizona.

At NOAH, we stand ready to serve. But we need your support.

Please protect Medicaid. Protect Arizona families. Protect the communities we serve together.

Sincerely,

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