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Dear HHS:

The current definition of "religious employer", as contained in the recent mandate issued by the US Government that all medical insurance and health care plans include coverage for sterilization and contraception, including potential abortifacients, does not provide true conscience protection for those committed to preserving life. Health care plans should not be forced to violate the moral and religious convictions of providers or employees in order to participate in the health care system. Requiring such an unacceptable demand threatens both universal access to health care and religious freedom of conscience.

Thank you,

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