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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing today to ask in the strongest way possible that you rescind the unjust and coercive mandate that all "contraceptives" and sterilization procedures be covered by private health insurance with no co-pay to patients. I strongly oppose the government forcing free insurance coverage on Americans especially for drugs and devices that I oppose because some of these can cause an abortion (such as ella and Plan B). If some believe such things should be funded, look to private donors who agree with the practice. DO NOT USE PUBLIC FUNDS/MY TAX DOLLARS!

I also ask you include in your definition of religious employer an authentic conscience protection for any organization and business that has moral or religious objection to providing any such insurance to their employees. This legal mandate clearly violates the spirit of conscience laws which prohibit government discrimination against those who object to various health services on moral or religious grounds. The definition of "religious employer" in the regulation is so narrow as to only include churches, but will still mean that a host of businesses and organizations that have conscience objections will be required to choose between either violating their conscience or not being able to offer employees health insurance.

Please protect the conscience rights of insurers, providers and people like me who object to being forced by the federal government to offer or subsidize contraceptives and sterilization services, especially when some of these drugs will be used to take the life of early unborn children. No free citizen should be forced by the federal government through taxation and law creation to essentially subsidize services they object to based upon their moral compass. I again urge you in the strongest way possible to reverse course and remove contraceptives and sterilizations from the list of mandatory preventive services.

Sincerely, Rhonda Bosworth Theresa, NY 13691