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House of Representatives
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**MORE THAN 800 GROUPS SUPPORT
GANSKE-DINGELL-NORWOOD-BERRY
AND THEY REPRESENT *YOUR* CONSTITUENCY**

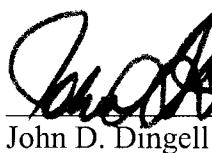
Dear Colleague:

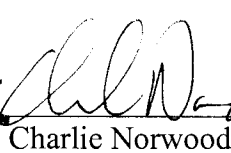
Recently, opponents of strong patient protection legislation have been circulating arguments designed to muddle the debate and obfuscate the real issue – protecting patients. We have more than 800 consumer, patient, and provider groups strongly behind our legislation. These groups recognize that the Ganske-Dingell-Norwood-Berry bill is the *only* bill that protects patients and affords a real meaningful remedy in the event of injury.

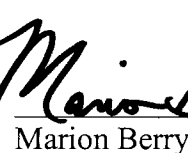
The rhetoric against our bill will only get shriller in the days to come. The four of us have fought long and hard to enact this bill into law for one very simple reason: patients. We won't give up until we see our goal of enacting comprehensive patient protections brought to fruition. Listed below are just a few of the more than 800 groups supporting our legislation. We hope that you will join us and the millions of Americans who support this legislation to get this job done.

Sincerely,


Greg Ganske


John D. Dingell


Charlie Norwood


Marion Berry

AIDS ACTION

Alliance for Children and Families
American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry
American Academy of Neurology
American Academy of Ophthalmology
American Academy of Otolaryngology
American Academy of Pain Medicine
American Academy of Pediatrics
American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
American Association of People with Disabilities
American Association on Mental Retardation
American Cancer Society
American Chiropractic Association
American College of Cardiology
American College of Emergency Physicians
American College of Gastroenterology
American College of Nurse Midwives
American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
American College of Osteopathic Surgeons
American College of Physicians
American Society of Internal Medicine
American College of Surgeons
American Council of the Blind
American Counseling Association
American Dental Association
American Family Foundation
American Federation of Teachers
American Foundation for the Blind
American Headache Society
American Health Quality Association
American Heart Association
American Liver Foundation
American Lung Association
American Medical Association
American Medical Rehabilitation Providers Association
American Mental Health Counselors Association
American Nurses Association
American Optometric Association
American Osteopathic Association

American Pain Society
American Physical Therapy Association
American Podiatric Medical Association
American Psychiatric Association
American Psychiatric Nurses Association
American Psychoanalytic Association
American Psychological Association
American Public Health Association
American Small Business Alliance
American Society of Clinical Oncology
American Society of General Surgeons
American Society of Nuclear Cardiology
American Society of Plastic Surgeons
American Society of Transplant Surgeons
American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
American Thoracic Society
American Urogynecologic Society
American Urological Association
Americans for Democratic Action
Association for the Advancement of Psychology
Association of Academic Physiatrists
Association of Community Cancer Centers
Association of Tech Act Projects
Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law
Brain Injury Association
California Breast Cancer Organizations
Center for Patient Advocacy
Center on Disability and Health
Child Welfare League of America
Children's Defense Fund
Clinical Social Work Federation
Colon Cancer Alliance
Congress of Neurological Surgeons
Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities
Corporation for the Advancement of Psychiatry
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
Digestive Disease National Coalition
Easter Seals
Epilepsy Foundation
Family Violence Prevention Fund
Families USA

Federation of Families for Children's
Mental Health
Hereditary Colon Cancer Association
Infectious Diseases Society of America
International Association of
Psychosocial Rehabilitation Services
League of Women Voters
Learning Disabilities of America
Lupus Foundation of America, Inc.
Mental Health Liaison Group
National Alliance for the Mentally Ill
National Association of Children's
Hospitals
National Association of Developmental
Disabilities Councils
National Association of People with
AIDS
National Association of Private Special
Education Centers
National Association of School
Psychologists
National Association of Social Workers
National Breast Cancer Coalition
National Community Pharmacists
Association
National Consumers League
National Council for Community
Behavioral Healthcare
National Down Syndrome Congress
National Hemophilia Foundation
National Mental Health Association
National Multiple Sclerosis Society
National Parent Network on Disabilities
National Rehabilitation Association
Pain Care Coalition

Paralyzed Veterans of America
Patient Access Coalition
Patient Access to Responsible Care
Patients Who Care
Public Citizen
Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive
Technology Society of North America
School Social Work Association of
America
Society of Cardiovascular &
Interventional Radiology
Society for Gynecologic Oncologists
The Endocrine Society
United Cerebral Palsy Associations