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Rep. Andy Biggs
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Dear Representatives Ciscomani, Gosar, Schweikert, Biggs, Crane, and Hamadeh,

We're writing in response to your letter about the current government shutdown. We agree that it needs to end, and the path is pretty clear: Republicans and Democrats need to work together to find an agreement to reopen the government and prevent health care premiums from spiking for the Arizonans we all represent.

The expiration of Affordable Care Act enhanced premium tax credits would mean higher health care costs for families and small business owners across our state. In 2024, 309,000 Arizonans used premium tax credits, reducing the average premium by \$400 per month. If we do not act, these Arizonans will see sharp premium spikes when they go to purchase a new plan on November 1st. Many of them will need to pay hundreds of dollars more per month. Some will see their costs double. A lot of them won't be able to afford that, which means they will go without insurance and be one illness or accident away from financial ruin. In your districts alone, over 172,000 people will be impacted. We're fighting for them.

Congressional District	Total ACA Marketplace Enrollees	ACA Marketplace Enrollees with Subsidies	Percent Increase in Premium Payments
AZ01	44,000	34,000	63%
AZ02	37,000	35,000	109%
AZ03	42,000	39,000	152%
AZ04	37,000	33,000	86%
AZ05	38,000	32,000	66%
AZ06	35,000	30,000	69%
AZ07	36,000	34,000	112%
AZ08	38,000	34,000	76%
AZ09	40,000	37,000	90%

Source: Kaiser Family Foundation, "How Much Will ACA Premium Payments Rise If Enhanced Subsidies Expire? — Congressional District Interactive Map," <https://www.kff.org/affordable-care-act/congressional-district-interactive-map-how-much-will-aca-premium-payments-rise-if-enhanced-subsidies-expire/>

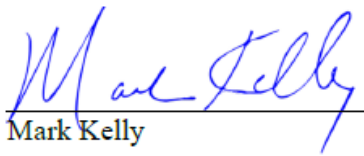
The Arizonans who are going to get hit by this are hardworking people. They are small business owners who have to purchase their own plans, older Arizonans who aren't yet eligible for Medicare, and folks who live in rural Arizona and don't get health care through their employer. We've been listening to them.

In Arizona's 2nd district, a woman named Robin pays approximately \$250 a month for health care, but she would be paying more than \$1,000 per month without support from the tax credit. Without those credits, she will lose her coverage and will not be able to afford care. Rusty in Arizona's 7th district has relied on Marketplace coverage through the Affordable Care Act for years. Last year he paid just over \$200 a month, and this year approximately \$275 through Banner Aetna. With subsidies set to expire and his insurer leaving the Marketplace, his premiums could rise to as much as \$600 a month for a basic plan, a cost he cannot afford. In Arizona's 6th district, Eric, a small business owner, said that ACA subsidies have made it possible for entrepreneurs to get affordable coverage and take risks to grow their businesses. When premiums rise or rules change, that stability goes out the window and they can't plan or grow.


We believe that Robin, Rusty, Eric and the hundreds of thousands of Arizonans who will see their health care prices spike are worth fighting for. And that's what we're doing here in Washington: talking to our Republican and Democratic colleagues about how to fix this and reopen the federal government.

We agree with you that there is no time to waste. So, we invite you to come back to Washington and work with us to keep Arizonans from facing higher health care costs and get the government back open.

Sincerely,



Mark Kelly
United States Senator



Ruben Gallego
United States Senator