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Dear Chairman Wally Herger, Ways and Means Subcommittee on Health,

Please vote to defund the ObamaCare Insurance Exchanges, recall all unspent federal exchange dollars, and repeal the ObamaCare law during the "Implementation of Health Insurance Exchanges and Related Provisions" hearing.

Because of relentless and ill advised government intrusion into the practice of Medicine, I prematurely retired from the practice of Primary Care Medicine at the early age of 53 years after a spotless 26 year career. No medical malpractice suits. No Medical Board problems. No DEA issues. No HIPPA privacy violations. No Medicare or Medicaid fraud accusations. No racial discrimination accusations. No sexual harassment issues. My 26 year career practicing Primary Care in primarily rural, under served areas was unblemished and squeaky clean.

Unfortunately, the relentless intrusion by the Federal government into the practice of Medicine over the past 3 decades made it impossible for me to provide the high quality medical care that I became dedicated to provide as a youth. For example, how could I expose my female patients who trusted me with their personal secret that they had had an abortion years ago to "outing" by a WikiLeaks-type hacker who hacks into the Federally mandated electronic medical records databases and exposes her secret on the internet? Mandatory electronic medical records are possibly the single worst idea the Federal government has imposed on those of us charged with the responsibility to guard our patients' most vulnerable secrets. The argument that these electronic medical records will be secure from hackers is laughable.

Furthermore, the danger to our political system that electronic medical records poses is enormous. Do you really think that Republicans will refrain from hacking into Hillary Clintons' electronic medical records to expose her abortion history if any is found? Or that the Democrats will refrain from hacking into Sen. Hatch's psychiatric records if any is found? Or that either party will refrain from doing a search of all Congressmen and Senators to see which have ever been treated for venereal disease?

Electronic medical records should be prohibited by law, not mandated by law. ObamaCare has it backwards. Anyone old enough to remember J. Edgar Hoover's illegal wiretaps or Richard Nixon's enemy's list should cringe at the very thought of searchable, digitized, electronic medical records available globally over the internet by WikiLeak-type hackers who are one step ahead of the IT security industry.

I absolutely guarantee that if you fail to defund and repeal ObamaCare, you will regret it. The crazy anti-abortionists are breathlessly waiting for the opportunity to hack into the ObamaCare electronic medical record databases and do a search of all Americans who have ever had an abortion, and publish it on Facebook. Is this the America you want?

Sincerely,

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