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Rep. Frank Pallone
Chairman, House Energy & Commerce Committee

Rep. Richie Neal
Chairman, House Ways & Means Committee

Re: Support for H.R. 1425, The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Enhancement Act

Dear Chairmen Pallone & Neal,

As you know, the National Breast Cancer Coalition is a grassroots organization dedicated to ending breast cancer through action and advocacy. We are a coalition of many diverse groups around the country. Since our inception in 1991, we have been fighting for access to high quality, evidence-based healthcare for all individuals.

We commend your leadership in helping individuals across the country gain access to healthcare during these difficult times. Like you, NBCC believes that now more than ever, individuals must have access to affordable health care for all their medical needs.

For this reason, the National Breast Cancer Coalition (NBCC) supports H.R. 1425 The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Enhancement Act. This legislation will, among other things, strengthen and expand upon the Affordable Care Act (ACA), shore up the Medicaid program, and lower prescription drug prices to the benefit of all Americans.

NBCC’s primary goals are to increase federal funding for breast cancer research and collaborate with the scientific community to implement new models of research; improve access to high-quality health care and breast cancer clinical trials for all women and men and expand the influence of breast cancer advocates wherever breast cancer decisions are made.

A top priority of NBCC is ensuring access to quality, evidence-based health care. In 2010, NBCC endorsed and advocated for the passage and implementation of ACA, which marked a significant step toward access to quality health care for individuals with, and at risk of breast cancer. The ACA has saved the lives of those barred from coverage due to a preexisting condition or repeated bouts of cancer.

NBCC has long believed that everyone who needs health care must have access to quality care. We stand ready to work with you on this significant public health priority.

Sincerely,

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cc: U.S. House of Representatives