

Five million Americans, including many of my constituents, have already received cancellation notices. One constituent, Diane from Wooster, has a policy that she likes, but received notice that it would be canceled, and she is now unable to keep her doctor, whom she likes and trusts.

My vote tomorrow is for Diane and for the millions of others like her who want to keep their health care plans that the President had promised they could keep. I ask my colleagues to join me in supporting this legislation.

OBAMACARE

(Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, for more than 3½ years, President Obama repeatedly promised Tom, who is in this picture, that if he liked his health care plan, he could keep it. Period. In spite of the President's assurances, Tom, along with 3.5 million other Americans, has recently received a cancellation letter from his insurance provider.

You see, Tom, who is a constituent from Allen, Texas, has dwarfism, which makes access to the doctors he likes, trusts, and knows critical to his well-being. Not only has ObamaCare affected his health care, but Tom has said it has taken time, energy and focus away from growing his small business. That even makes the new Pope mad. As Tom's dad often said, If you're not going to be part of the solution, at least don't be part of the problem. Thus far, ObamaCare is the problem.

It is time for President Obama to join our efforts and provide a real solution to this flawed and unworkable law.

DONNA'S DILEMMA

(Mrs. HARTZLER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. HARTZLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to share a story from Missouri's Fourth District. It is from an individual who had her insurance canceled because of ObamaCare.

Donna from California, Missouri, wrote in, saying that she and her husband received a letter stating that their plan would be canceled next year because it doesn't comply with the law. After researching new plans on the exchanges, she found that their premiums for a comparable plan would increase by \$300 and that their deductible would increase by \$1,300. She says:

I'm not sure I'll be able to pay my medical expenses. That's a "choice" being forced upon me and is limiting my freedoms. I worry about the children whose parents don't take them to the doctor because they can't afford the out-of-pocket expense or they lose everything because they did seek medical help for a critically ill child.

Donna, we are here today to speak out for you and for the millions of Americans who were given a promise. That is why I am proud to stand with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle, to ensure that our President keeps the promise he made to so many Americans. You deserve it.

THE FACES OF OBAMACARE

(Mrs. WAGNER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. WAGNER. Mr. Speaker, in recent weeks I have received countless examples of heartbreaking stories from the people of Missouri's Second Congressional District about how government-run health care is impacting their lives.

Today, I rise to put a face on the failures of ObamaCare and to tell Pam and Dennis Hopmann's story, who hail from Chesterfield, Missouri. This is their story in their own words:

We are livid that President Obama broke his promise to us about keeping our doctors. The Federal Government has very few success stories at running programs, and this is a prime example. Not only am I going to lose my insurance, but I also received a letter that I would lose care from my OB/GYN doctor, whom I have seen for 30 years. I wanted to stay with my plan. There was nothing wrong with it. It was not a "junk" plan, which Obama so frequently likes to call them.

Mr. Speaker, this is just one of millions of examples of real people being hurt by ObamaCare.

OBAMACARE

(Mr. PEARCE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PEARCE. Mr. Speaker, the President promised that if you like your plan you can keep it; but he hasn't followed that promise, and he followed up with an administering of the plan that is even worse.

Only 172 people have been able to sign up in the one month's 24-hour access to the Web site that is supposed to allow us to sign up. More people are served popcorn and soft drinks during the halftime of an Artesia football game than have been able to get service through this Web site. The losses are extensive:

In Truth or Consequences, Ron says that he lost his coverage and that the replacement is 350 percent to 550 percent higher;

Jacob in Roswell: his whole road crew lost its plan. It is seeing its premiums triple;

Kathy from Silver City, who is on fixed income-retirement: their premiums are quadrupling;

Jen, on Facebook, who is going from \$300 a month to \$1,500 a month, wonders where she can get the money to pay that.

Maybe you have an answer, Mr. President.

ANOTHER BROKEN OBAMACARE PROMISE

(Mr. SMITH of Missouri asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, today President Obama announced yet another delay to his health care mandate. The President is picking and choosing which parts of ObamaCare he wants to enforce. The President needs to stop picking winners and losers. ObamaCare is broken and cannot be fixed.

Republicans led the fight against ObamaCare because we knew the mandate would cause individuals to lose their health care. We knew monthly premiums would skyrocket, and we knew the quality of the health care of Americans would suffer.

For over 3 years, President Obama has made numerous statements to American families to sell his misguided health care law, and now he is asking Americans to trust him again.

My constituents in the Show Me State are not buying it, President Obama.

Mr. Speaker, ObamaCare cannot be fixed by delaying portions of the law. ObamaCare needs to be repealed.

OBAMACARE

(Mr. NEUGEBAUER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. NEUGEBAUER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to read to you a letter from a woman named Katherine from Levelland. Katherine's daughter, Taylor, has an aggressive form of childhood cancer, which requires treatments in Lubbock and Houston.

Katherine writes:

Along with the expense of her medical treatments, we have the expense of keeping an apartment in Houston and traveling back and forth. My husband owns a small car dealership in Levelland, and we have a private insurance policy. We have had this policy for over 4 years, and we were devastated to find out that Taylor's policy is now being canceled.

President Obama said, If you're one of the 250 million Americans who already has health insurance, you will get to keep your own health insurance.

Unfortunately, we have not been given the choice to keep Taylor's health insurance. I wanted you to know our story so that when you are in Washington you can share it with others.

I wish that Katherine and Taylor's story were unique; but, unfortunately, I receive dozens of emails from constituents who tell me about lost coverage, lower benefits, and higher premiums. They are looking for us to make it right.

I will do everything in my power to fix this so as to ensure that mothers

like Katherine don't have to worry about losing critical coverage for their families.

KEEP THE PROMISE, MR. PRESIDENT

(Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, since 2010, President Obama has touted his well-known phrase: If you like your health care plan, you will be able to keep your health care plan.

The past few weeks have made it very clear that President Obama has failed to keep that promise.

According to the Associated Press, 3.5 million people have already seen their health plans canceled. Constituents from all over eastern and south-eastern Ohio have been contacting my office, notifying me of skyrocketing premiums and canceled health plans.

Take, for instance, Cathy, from my hometown of Marietta, Ohio. Here is the letter she received. She was notified that her plan is not in compliance under the requirements of the ACA and that it would, instead, be rolled over into a better plan. It turns out that the "better" plan increases her premiums from \$670 a month to \$1,600 a month—more than double.

Skyrocketing premiums, canceled plans and a complete takeover of health care do not make health care affordable. The President should keep his promise to the American people, let Congress work to fix this problem and support the Keep Your Health Plan Act.

OBAMACARE

(Mr. SMITH of Nebraska asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. SMITH of Nebraska. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to highlight the impact of the current health care situation of the millions of Americans who are losing their health care coverage, including many in Nebraska's Third District.

Pam Weldin, a self-employed small business woman from Minatare, Nebraska, has a preexisting condition. She has had affordable health insurance coverage which meets her needs, but she just received this letter which explains her current plan will no longer be offered. Pam told me she had great coverage before, which obviously included coverage of her preexisting condition. She has since tried to see what is available through healthcare.gov and the 800 number as well, but has been unsuccessful. As of January 1, she will lose the coverage that she likes.

Like Pam, millions of Americans are learning they are losing their health care plans they were told they could keep. I have heard from many other Nebraskans who are losing their insurance or whose rates have increased so much they cannot afford to keep the plans they currently have.

This is not what the American people want, and both sides need to work together to make this right. I encourage all of my colleagues to support the Keep Your Health Plan Act.

OBAMACARE

(Mr. MARINO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MARINO. Mr. Speaker, the President continues to unilaterally implement these politically motivated, piece-by-piece, so-called "fixes," but this law is broken, and it is hurting millions and millions of Americans.

Every day, I hear from more of my constituents who have had their coverage canceled and who have seen their premiums increase. I recently heard from a woman from my hometown of Williamsport, Pennsylvania, who is going to have a baby early next year. She will lose her health care coverage on January 1.

I received a copy of a document from a constituent of mine, Paul from Lackawanna County. It is a notice from the insurance company.

It reads:

It's important that you know that Federal health care reform will require many changes to health insurance plans beginning in 2014. As a result, as of December 31, 2013, the Special Care health insurance plan you have will no longer be offered.

We need to repeal the Affordable Care Act and replace it with health care reform that actually lowers costs and increases access to quality health care.

The President has an obligation to keep his promise. Going back on one's word sets a very poor example for our children, and that is the truth.

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OBAMACARE

(Mr. FITZPATRICK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, the Affordable Care Act is more than a Web site. That is the comforting assurance President Obama is giving to the American people as the continuing train wreck of his law's implementation grinds on. The law is more than a Web site. Unfortunately, that means its flaws extend past the Web site as well. It is bad technology mixed with bad policy. Each day we hear more and more people losing plans they liked despite the President's promise they could keep them.

Recently, I spoke with Scott Randolph, a self-employed father of two in my district, who is feeling the harmful effects head-on. Scott received this notice in the mail that said his insurance plan, which he liked and which worked for him and his two sons, was going to be terminated and replaced with a similar plan at triple the cost. I think Scott said it best when he said:

The President guaranteed me, "If you like your plan, you can keep it." Well, the fact is, I can keep my plan; I just can't afford my plan now.

Mr. President, this is unacceptable. Period. Let's pass the Keep Your Health Plan Act and offer help to the millions of Americans hurt by this broken promise.

OBAMACARE

(Mr. GIBBS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. GIBBS. This week, Americans, the administration, along with the media, are starting to see the harmful effects of ObamaCare on our country.

Many Ohioans are experiencing sticker shock and are desperately worried if they will have coverage at all and if they will keep their doctor. A constituent recently told me that his hours were cut to part-time in order for his employer to keep the business running. A man from Canton, Ohio, called in and will see his premiums increase by 700 percent due to this harmful law. A single mother of two young boys from Ashland, Ohio, will not be able to afford the increase in price of her premium each month under ObamaCare. When she wrote in, she asked a great question:

If this is the Affordable Care Act, why can I no longer afford my health care insurance?

It seems as though my constituents have more common sense than those who wrote this devastating law.

I, along with my colleagues in the House, remain committed to protecting Americans from this law and ensuring that you are in charge of your health care decisions, not some bureaucrat here in Washington. Whether it is the doctor's office, the gas pump, the dinner table, or in the job market, Washington is standing in the way of hard-working Americans, and it is just not fair.

OBAMACARE

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, over the past few months, I have heard hundreds of stories from my constituents about the President's health care law and the devastating effects it is having on their families and small businesses. One issue I want to address today is the serious threat ObamaCare is to the rural health care situation in our country.

For my constituents in northern California, we already face a shortage of care and choices. Many families have to turn to bordering States to see a doctor or for emergency room visits. Now we know that the law is actually creating a much larger challenge for rural Americans.

Today I want to share with you a story from a constituent I met just a couple months ago at the Tulalake Fair in Siskiyou County. Patricia