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The Honorable Mark O. Hatfield
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

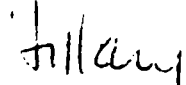
Dear Senator Hatfield:

When we spoke last spring, you expressed particular interest in medical research. I am writing to bring to your attention some of the health research initiatives in the Health Security Act that are so essential in eliminating disease and disability.

Funding is expanded for biomedical and behavioral research, targeting illnesses such as Alzheimer's disease, breast cancer, heart disease and AIDS. A significant investment is made in health promotion and disease prevention research. Finally, a new health services research initiative includes quality and outcome measurement, the development of clinical practice guidelines and evaluation of primary care services.

I look forward to working with you in the coming months on this and other issues.

Sincerely yours,


Hillary Rodham Clinton

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Dear Mr. Clinton:

I was pleased to join several of my colleagues in meeting with you to discuss the work of the White House Task Force on National Health Care. Your leadership on health care reform is inspiring -- thank you for the passion and intelligence you bring to this process.

Unfortunately, the press of Senate business caused me to leave the gathering before I had the opportunity to ask you about the role of medical research in comprehensive health care reform. I write today to ask you whether the Administration views medical research as an essential mechanism for limiting health care costs and improving productivity by providing the treatments and cures which will ultimately eliminate disease and reduce disability?

I look forward to the next opportunity we will have to work together on the important dual concerns of access and quality in the health care system.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

P.S. Please consider me a supporter of affordable health care & medical research.