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[Organization Name] Responds to 5th Circuit Court of Appeals Ruling in Health Care Sabotage Case

[City]— [Date] — Today the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals issued a ruling on the Health Care Repeal Lawsuit (Texas v. United States) that **[broad impact of the decision on people who rely on the Affordable Care Act]**. Millions of people across the country rely on the Affordable Care Act (ACA) for quality, affordable health care coverage and to protect them from unscrupulous insurance companies who would otherwise deny them needed care for pre-existing conditions or charge them more based on their gender, age or health status. This includes **[find the number for your state [here](#)]** [State]ians currently living with pre-existing conditions, **[find the number for your state in the [same chart](#), column C]** of whom are children.

This case has been part of a broad scale, coordinated attack on the ACA through legislation, litigation, executive action and regulatory changes. The Trump administration and their supporters, including **[names and titles of State Attorney General, Governor, House Member, Senator, etc. from your state who have signed on to the lawsuit or have otherwise expressed support for it]**, are using this lawsuit to accomplish through the courts what they could not through Congress.

They hope to strip affordable health care away from millions, including cancer survivors, people with diabetes, and pregnant women, and put insurance companies back in the driver's seat when it comes to coverage options and costs. If it succeeds, people like **[Consumer name]** will face dire consequences. **[Insert brief consumer story]**. **"[Quote from Consumer about the impact of the ACA on them/their family and/or the potential impacts if it goes away]."**

The stakes are too high for people in **[State name]** to allow partisan, political jockeying to get between us and our health care. **"[Quote from Executive Director/Policy Director/Communications Director/etc. of your organization about the ruling, its impact, and/or the elected leaders who support the lawsuit]."**

Today's decision marks a critical juncture in the fight to protect all families from these harms. While we wait to hear if the case will be reviewed by the Supreme Court, it is more important than ever for health care consumers to hold elected leaders accountable for protecting their care.

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