January 16th, 2025

To: Senator Timothy Kaine, Senator Mark Warner, Representative John McGuire **Subject:** Cosponsor H.R. 3068/S. 4065, the Equal Health Care for All Act

As a counselor in your district, I urge you to cosponsor H.R. 3068/S. 4065, the Equal Health Care for All Act. This legislation seeks to address systemic disparities in our health care system and improve access to quality care for all individuals, regardless of race, gender identity, religion, sexual orientation, or other factors.

The key provisions of this bill are:

- Health care providers and facilities will be required to report disaggregated demographic data to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). This information will enhance our understanding of health outcomes in medically underserved communities.
- The bill prohibits discrimination in health care based on race, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, age, and religion. HHS will be tasked with investigating complaints regarding inequitable health care, and individuals will have the right to pursue civil lawsuits if mediated agreements are not honored.
- The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will incorporate health equity measures into its value-based purchasing programs for hospitals.
- The legislation establishes a grant program to support hospitals in promoting equitable health care initiatives, fostering better access to quality care for all.

By cosponsoring H.R. 3068/S. 4065, you will help ensure that every American has access to equitable health care.

Thank you,

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