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On Behalf Of:
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Dear Senators,

When I invest in the stock of a publicly traded company, I expect a substantial return on my investment. When corporations own healthcare companies, their shareholders expect the same. Corporations who practice medicine aren't focused on efficient care, just cheap care that extracts higher profit margins, regardless of declining medicare reimbursements and increasing costs. Would you want substandard care for yourself or your family, if it saves someone a few dollars? I don't. If you want to effectively address the higher costs of healthcare, first support this bill and remove companies who do not prioritize the health of humans. Next, address the real reason costs are so high--insurance companies who have interposed themselves in the patient-doctor relationship.

Warm regards,
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