## TO THE MEMBERS OF THE U.S. SENATE:

We the undersigned organizations recognize that the current health care system of this country under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) is not working and is in need of serious and deep reforms. We appreciate the work you are doing to make health care more stable and affordable in the individual market and applaud the Better Care Reconciliation Act of 2017 for repealing many of the taxes and penalties imposed by the ACA.

As you know, U.S. employers provide stable, highly valued health benefits to more than 177 million Americans – the largest source of health care coverage in the country. As senators work to revise and amend this legislation to repeal and replace the ACA, we encourage you to protect the employer-sponsored system by fully repealing the ACA's 40% "Cadillac Tax" and refrain from imposing any new taxes on **employee health care benefits.** 

We commend and support the Senate for taking these steps while recognizing that changes will be needed as the legislative process continues. We urge your support for the process and look forward to continuing to work with policy makers as this legislation is further refined.

Sincerely,

Air Conditioning Contractors of America America's Business Benefit Association American Staffing Association American Supply Association **Associated Builders and Contractors Associated General Contractors Auto Care Association** Communicating for America, Inc. The Council of Insurance Agents and Brokers Employers Council on Flexible Compensation (ECFC) The ERISA Industry Committee Food Marketing Institute HR Policy Association Independent Insurance Agents and Brokers of America International Foodservice Distributors Association International Franchise Association National Association for the Self-Employed National Association of Home Builders

National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors

National Association of Wholesaler-Distributors

National Club Association

National Restaurant Association

National Retail Federation

Self-Insurance Institute of America, Inc.

Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council

Society for Human Resource Management

Society of Professional Benefit Administrators (SPBA)

U.S. Chamber of Commerce