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The Honorable Charles E. Schumer  
Majority Leader  
322 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Majority Leader Schumer,

Congratulations on the progress you have made with Senator Manchin on the Inflation Reduction Act. Millions of Americans have never received any benefit from the Affordable Care Act in States that failed to expand Medicaid due to sustained Republican opposition. This has had devastating consequences for health equity, maternal mortality, and substance use disorder, among many other public health crises.

In your further work to move this legislation forward, it is essential that relief be provided for our most economically disadvantaged neighbors who have been stuck in the coverage gap for over a decade.

We cannot afford to go home without doing something to help out those who have been left out and left behind for so long.

Sincerely,

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