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The Honorable Bob Goodlatte  
Chairman, Judiciary Committee  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable John Conyers, Jr.  
Ranking Member, Judiciary Committee  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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The Honorable Tom Marino  
Chairman, Judiciary Subcommittee on  
Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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The Honorable Hank Johnson  
Ranking Member, Judiciary Subcommittee on  
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U.S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Chairman Goodlatte, Ranking Member Conyers, Chairman Marino and Ranking Member Johnson:

I am writing on behalf of the nearly 5,000 member hospitals, health systems and other health care organizations, and 43,000 individual members of the American Hospital Association (AHA) regarding your announcement that the Judiciary Committee plans to hold a series of hearings on competition in the health care marketplace. The AHA requests to participate in the hearing on consolidation in the health insurance industry to discuss the impact of the proposed acquisitions involving Aetna/Humana and Anthem/Cigna. Given their size and scope, our members are concerned about the impact of those proposed deals on patients, innovation in the hospital sector and other key aspects of health care delivery.

AHA members are committed to building a continuum of care that benefits consumers' needs, and we look forward to testifying before your committee as you examine these potential deals.

Sincerely,

/s/

Rick Pollack  
Executive Vice President

