Save Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security for Future Generations

We urge the President, and the California Congressional Delegation to protect the Social Insurance Programs upon which millions of Americans, and their families depend. Cuts to these programs, raising the age of eligibility, taxing benefits, or privatizing these programs will threaten their stability AND harm the beneficiaries who count on them now and who will need them in the future. While we agree that our country must deal with our national debt, we strongly disagree with the arguments that Social Security and Medicare and Medicaid are to blame.

These programs must be protected, expanded and improved. Social Security has a $2.7 trillion reserve. Its long term funding problems can easily be corrected by lifting the cap on earned income that is taxed and by dedicating a portion of the estate tax to the Trust Fund. Medicare and Medicaid costs need to be contained as part of our effort to contain our country's overall health care costs. We should be looking at eliminating insurance companies' administrative overhead and profits, negotiating for fair drug prices, and ultimately expanding Medicare to cover everyone and control costs. We urge you to oppose efforts to cut or privatize our future, or the future of generations to come.

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