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Ladies and gentlemen:

I would like you to seriously consider voting for HB 3075 to restore coordinated spousal coverage and insurance opt-out.

Many Oregonian families have dedicated their lives serving other Oregonians in a wide variety of public service occupations,

and in many cases, both the husband and wife work for the public good.

In recent years, the COLA's for most of those families has barely kept up with Oregon's cost of living, and at the same time, our health benefits have seen increases in deductibles and premiums. The fact that double coverage was available for my family has always been something I sincerely appreciated about my chosen career. I knew that while I wasn't making a huge sum of money, I didn't have to worry when my daughter went to the emergency room for a breathing problem that inflamed the lining of her lungs.

I could go on and on about why I think HB 3075 so important to us as a family, or how it serves those that serve others in this state, but instead I ask you to consider this: The men and women who serve as YOUR public servants give a lot of their talent, time and energy. Is it too much to give them a little security back for their dedication?

Please consider your choice on HB 3075 carefully.

Sincerely,

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