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Dear Members of the Business Health Care Group,

It's an honor to recognize the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Business Health Care Group (BHCG) and I hope you have a successful annual meeting this week.

I'm grateful for the Group's collective efforts to bring meaningful, market-driven improvements to Southern Wisconsin's health care system. It's sorely needed and I applaud your leadership in this important sector of our nation's economy.

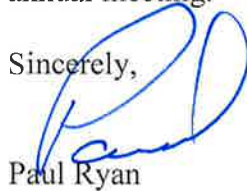
Every day, countless patients, doctors, and advocates benefit from your tireless work to make quality health care more affordable and more readily available. I have no doubt that your commitment and dedication will continue to make our health care system more efficient and effective in the years ahead.

As the President's health care law begins to be rolled out across the country, this is an interesting and consequential time for your industry. The President's health care law has already resulted in drastic changes to the health care system and more are sure to come as the law is fully implemented. Against this changing backdrop, the Business Health Care Group's knowledge and expertise will be crucial as the industry works to educate consumers and pushes providers to deliver quality health care at an affordable cost.

I remain convinced that the United States has the best health care system in the world. We have talented and dedicated doctors, nurses, and health care providers who are second to none. And by embracing common-sense principles like accountability, transparency, and competition, we can work to give patients a higher level of care at a lower price. It's a noble goal to pursue, and not one that will be easily achieved, but with the example that the Business Health Care Group provides, we can do it.

Thank you again for all the work that you have done and thank you for all the work that you will do to enact positive changes to Wisconsin's health care system. Best wishes for a successful annual meeting.

Sincerely,



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