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STATEMENT OF ADMINISTRATION POLICY

H.R. 485 – Protecting Health Care for All Patients Act of 2023

(Rep. McMorris Rodgers, R-WA, and five cosponsors)

The Administration opposes efforts to undermine the Affordable Care Act by stripping dollars from the Prevention and Public Health Fund and undermining its critical investments in health and wellbeing, and therefore opposes H.R. 485. As the Majority intends to amend the bill, H.R. 485 would strip funding from the Prevention and Public Health Fund, which supports critical investments to help prevent disease and ensure Americans have access to affordable coverage for preventive benefits.

The Administration believes that people with disabilities deserve equality, inclusion, and access in all aspects of American life. We are combatting discrimination against people with disabilities in health care in the rulemaking process and through aggressive enforcement. The Affordable Care Act prohibits Medicare from using quality-adjusted life year measures, and the Inflation Reduction Act similarly prohibits the consideration of evidence that uses quality-adjusted life years and similar measures for the purposes of Medicare drug price negotiation. Yet every Republican in Congress voted against the Inflation Reduction Act, and they continue to oppose this Administration's work to lower drug prices for seniors and people with disabilities.

The Administration is working to ensure all Americans have access to affordable, effective health care treatments. Measures of effectiveness are essential to delivering higher quality and lower health care costs, and are an important part of our health care system.

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