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Honorable Shelly C. Chapman,

My husband Joe A. Phillips worked for Peabody Coal in Lynnsville, Indiana for over 25 years. He retired at the age of 56. Reason for retiring was Peabody Coal promised Health Insurance for life for him and his wife (Shirley D.). He retired with a small pension \$585⁰⁰ a month. Not much to live on and pay medical bills. So he took the early retirement with a promise of Health Insurance for life. His health now is not good. He's had his stomach operated on the main Artery. He also had a heart by pass surgery. He's had new arteries put in both legs. Both sides of his neck have been operated on. He's had bladder cancer. Last year he lost sight in his right eye. If it were not for the Health Insurance promised to him by Peabody Coal we would not be able to pay the Health bills we would be bankrupt. When you are the age of us (76) Insurance is desperately needed we've got to have it to survive. Joe is also a Diabetic.

I also have had medical bills. Had

a breast operation, a hysterectomy,
Full hip replacement on right leg,
and two years Sept 22 I had a Heart
Attack. They put a stent in my heart.
Tomorrow I go to the Dr. for possible
surgery on my knee. No way could we survive
with out the insurance that was promised
to us. It would devastate us. Joe takes
eight pills a day. I take eight pills a
day. That alone is costly.

We need what Peabody Promised
us (Health Care for life) Many miners
retired because of the promise made
to them and us. We Can not Lose this Care.
It affects to many of us. Most of the
miners or like us in poor health.
Please, save our Health Care! So many
or dependent on it. We have very serious
illnesses. This could well be life or death
for some of us. If (Parrot Coal) is allow to
take away our Health Care thousands of Senior
Citizens will be with out Health Care.

Thank You,
Joe A. Phillips
Shirley S. Phillips