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WHEREAS the 50,000-member American Library Association in 1990 adopted a "Library Services for the of

reducing poverty; and

national health insurance

which has already been supported by the American Public Health Association~ (),,\\v'o~~ i -U,\'>,.,SiL. r-'nc1,;
Consumer Federation of America, Consumers Union, National Association of
Social Workers, National Council of Senior Citizens, Physicians for a National
Health Program, am many unions, including AFSCME and the II.GWU;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Social Responsibilities Rouni Table of the American Library Association endorses H.R. 1300 ands. 2320, the Universal Health Care Act; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resoldat

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It's The Only Real Cure

For The Nation's IDs

"Jfthe US. were to shift to a system of

universal coverage and a single player, as in

Canada, the savings in administrative costs

would be more than enough to offiet the

expense of universal coverage."

- from the U.S. General Accounting Office

report to Congress (GAD/HRD-91-90)

June 1991

The Universal Health Care Act - H.R. 1300

borrows from the proven principles of Canada's

successful program to come up with a uniquely

American solution.

• Comprehensive benefits for all Americans

• Single, publicly administered social insurance

program

• Progressive a~d equitable financing

• Cost containment

• Elimination of administrative waste

• Quality reform

"If the US. placed explicit controls on

the growth of health expenditures, it could

extend health insurance coverage to all of

the uninsured and save approximately

$I. 0 - 4.3 trillion dollars (in real terms)

over a ten years period. The business sector

as a whole would also save substantially ...

much of the savings to business would be

passed along to workers and consumers. "

- from the Economic and Social Research

Institute report "A National Health Plan

in the U.S." funded by the Robert Wood

Johnson Foundation.

H.R. 1300 Supporters

H.R. 1300, introduced by Rep. Marty Russo (D, IL)

has co-sponsors from 19 states, more than any ocher

health reform bill in Congress. Numerous organizations

support H.R. 1300. These include:

Actors Equity

Amalgamated Clothing and

Textile Workers Union

American Federation of

State, County and

Municipal Employees

American Medical Student

Association

American Postal Workers Union

American Public Health

Association

Citizen Action

Communications Workers

of America

Consumer Federation

of America

Consumers Union

Families USA

International Association

of Machinists and

Aerosp~ce Workers

International Ladies' Garment

Workers Union

International Union

of Electronic, Electrical,

Salaried, Machine and

Furniture Workers

National Association of

Social Workers

National Council of

Senior Citizens

Oil, Chemical and Atomic

Workers International Union

Physicians for a National

Health Program

Screen Actors Guild

Transport Workers Union

of America

United Automobile, Aerospace

and Agricultural Implement

Workers of America

United Electrical, Radio and

Machine Workers of America

United Mine Workers

of America

What You Can Do:
• Join a local Jobs With Justice coalition or

state health care campaign.

• Write, call, or visit your Members of Congress.

• Pass the word along to your co-workers.

• Urge your employer to support national

health insurance.

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The Real Problem
The U.S. spends more money on health care to cover

fewer people than any country in the world. Billions

of dollars are wasted, millions of people are left out or

priced out, and each year it gets worse.

How Bad Is It?

• The U.S. spends $2 billion a day on health care,

yet 37 million people are uninsured.

• The U.S. wastes more money on health insurance

bureaucracy than it would cost to provide health

care to the uninsured and end all co-insurance and

deductibles for all Americans.
• In I 965, 9% of corporate profits went toward

health care; today I 00% of after-tax profits go for

health care.

• Families now pay I 2% of their income on health

care. By the year 2000 they'll pay 16% if nothing

is done.

• Private health insurance no ·longer covers the total

cost of health care despite annual premium

increases of I 0% to 20%.
• Only 40% of the poor actually receive Medicaid,

and Medicare covers only I /2 of the elderly's health

care costs.

• A shocking 25% of health expenditures go toward

wasteful and inappropriate procedures.

• If no changes are made to our system, total health

spending could reach $ I .5 trillion by the year 2000,

consuming such a large portion of our GNP that

the entire economy will suffer.
Universal Health Care Act - H.R. 1300

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Health care costs continue to skyrocket.
Employers