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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The Justice Department recently <u>reversed course</u> on UnitedHealth Group's proposed \$3.3 billion acquisition of home health and hospice care provider Amedisys. Last year, the department sued to block the transaction, arguing that it would eliminate head-to-head competition between the merging parties that lowers costs, improves care quality, and betters working conditions for healthcare workers. But earlier this month it <u>proposed</u> to settle the case, caving to Big Medicine at the expense of vulnerable hospice patients and the workers who care for them.

U.S. District Judge James Bredar, who is presiding over the case, must use his authority under the 1974 Tunney Act to scrutinize the Justice Department's proposed settlement in the best interest of the public. United Healthcare is among the worst offenders of so-called "Medical Insurance" before and under the Affordable Care Act, jacking up rates willy-nilly and denying service—I should know, I had them as my Health Insurance for a year!

Sincerely, Timothy Liebe