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Dear Ms. Henney:

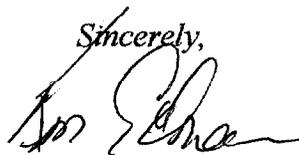
I appeal to you to do everything in your power to make sure that mifepristone, which has already been deemed safe and effective by the FDA, is expeditiously approved without unnecessarily limiting restrictions that interfere with the practice of women's health care.

The Coburn amendment, recently passed in the House, inserts politics into medical research. It also restricts the FDA's ability to test, research, and approve any drug based solely on sound scientific evidence. Reproductive health drugs should be subject to the FDA's strict science-based requirements, and not be singled out simply because they relate to reproductive health.

In addition, this amendment could have dangerous implications for the development of drugs that are used for purposes other than the termination of a pregnancy. Many drugs, including chemotherapy and anti-ulcer medication, have the side effect of inducing abortion. New developments in the treatment of these and other conditions would be prohibited under the broad scope of this amendment.

It's time to guarantee that American women and their doctors are given access to mifepristone.

Sincerely,



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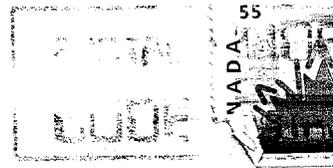
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