

# PRESIDENT OBAMA SAID WE MUST **CHANGE** HEALTH CARE:

"Make no mistake: The cost of our health care is a threat to our economy. It's a ticking time bomb for the federal budget. And it is unsustainable for the United States of America."

-Hyatt Regency Chicago  
Chicago, Illinois  
June 15, 2009

"Even within our own country, there are a lot of the places where we spend less on health care, but actually have higher quality than places where we spend more."

-Southwest High School  
Green Bay, Wisconsin  
June 11, 2009

"We are not going to rest until we've delivered the kind of health care reform that's going to bring down cost for families, and improve quality, affordability, accessibility for all Americans."

-The White House  
Washington, DC  
May 13, 2009

## PRESERVING HOSPICE IS AN EASY - **AND NECESSARY** - FIRST STEP.

Without White House intervention, hospice rates will be slashed on October 1 of this year due to a regulatory maneuver by the previous Administration. Hospice is health care that is already working for America. In 2007, an independent study by Duke University found that hospice reduced Medicare costs by more than \$2 billion per year. Yet, hospice is under threat and time is running out to save it. Programs will face drastic cuts and be forced to scale back services or close their doors permanently. Those paying the price are the ones in need of hospice the most - dying patients and their families. Stop the Bush Administration rate cuts and protect it for all Americans. President Obama, hospice works just as it is.

**STOP THE RATE CUTS.**  
**PRESERVE HOSPICE - HEALTH CARE THAT CARES MORE AND COSTS LESS.**



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