BUSINESSES FOR **NEW YORK HEALTH**

As business owners, we understand the challenges of providing health benefits for ourselves and our employees. Insurance plans that seem to meet the needs of our staff and families turn out to have high premiums, deductibles, copays, and out-of-network costs — insurance we can't actually afford to use. Plans often cut costs by locking us into restricted networks and drug formularies, limiting freedom to choose the our providers or to get the right medications for our health care. This puts us at risk that we won't get needed care to stay healthy and productive.

Each year we must brace for premium increases, often in double digits. The inability to predict health care costs presents risk to our businesses and makes it difficult to make financial predictions and grow.

An improved Medicare-for-all, universal public system of healthcare financing would reduce and stabilize our health care costs. It would allow owners and managers to focus on running our businesses, rather than wasting time dealing with the complexities of providing private insurance. A system covering every resident, with fully comprehensive coverage, funded through a simplified payroll premium clearly spelled out for both employers and employees, would level the playing field among businesses.

It's time for a healthcare system that can support business in the 21st century. Private health insurance wastes hundreds of billions of dollars on administration. It is damaging our economy, suffocating our businesses, discouraging physicians, and hurting the nation's health, while remaining unaffordable for a third of our citizens. That's why we are coming together to tell our elected officials to FIX the healthcare system and pass the *New York Health Act*, the bill to guarantee healthcare to ALL New Yorkers through an improved Medicare-for-all style, universal public health plan.

All business owners—large or small—are encouraged to endorse this statement to show that the business community supports New York Health.

If you agree, please complete the information below.

Name: _____

Business Name:_____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Address:_____

Website: _____Number of Employees: _____

Do you currently provide health insurance to your employees? (circle one) yes no

I approve my name to be made public in support of this statement. yes no

I approve my business name to be made public in support of this statement yes no

I'd like to organize a screening of the film FIX IT: Health Care at the Tipping Point yes no

I'd like to help get a universal health plan passed in New York State yes no

I'd like to help in another way. yes no

Comment: _____

Please return completed forms to:

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