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Business Roundtable Responds to Supreme Court Ruling on Affordable Care Act

Decision Reinforces Need to Engage Consumers in Health Care Reform

Washington – In the wake of the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision on the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, John Engler, President of [Business Roundtable](#) (BRT), today issued the following statement:

“As we study the court decision, one thing remains clear: We still have much work to do to make America's health care system more affordable and more effective. Above all, American consumers have to be more involved in their own health care. Experience tells us that when consumers are in control, quality improves, costs are controlled, and people are healthier.

“As Business Roundtable wrote in a June 18 letter to Congress, Congress should refrain from any immediate action in response to the Supreme Court ruling. With the health care law now upheld, policymakers should first carefully analyze and understand the implications of the ruling, and engage in an open dialogue with the American people about the best way to move forward.

“As CEOs whose companies provide health care coverage to nearly 40 million Americans, we stand ready to work with Congress and the White House. Meanwhile, Business Roundtable member companies will continue to provide employer-sponsored health insurance coverage to their employees and families.”

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