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Oxford, Anthem, United, Aetna, Harvard Pilgrim Health Insurers: You have had EVERY chance to step up during the worst health crisis in a century, and offer relief to those most in harm's way: frontline essential workers, small businesses and staff who must risk their health and family's health to serve the public good. Instead, you have made RECORD profits for shareholders and CEO's DURING this pandemic, and have the audacity to file for over 13% rate increases to an already reeling customer base. You have the opportunity to LEAD, role model an ethical industry response to the widespread suffering, and offer pandemic RELIEF rates to your customers, and be a Connecticut hero. If you want to continue to be relevant to the public, and oppose affordable, comprehensive health care access, single payer healthcare, or public option, you must provide a responsive relief rate, not an extortionist rate. I'm ashamed that our state represents the Insurance predatory capital of the world, instead of the healthcare capital of the country, which we have every opportunity to become during this healthcare crisis. I call on the CT Insurance Department to deny ANY rate increase of health insurance rates on or off the exchange, and to further conduct an economic feasibility study of what savings to ratepayers a CT single payor health insurance option would offer. The public is fed up, and so am I.

State Representative Anne Hughes, 135th District, Co-Chair of House Democratic Progressive Caucus

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact me at anne.hughes@cga.ct.gov, or 860-240-8585.

Peace,

State Rep Anne Hughes
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