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Maryland Health Care For All! Coalition Announces Over 130 Candidates Support Prescription Drug Affordability Board

Over 130 candidates for Governor and General Assembly, including Democratic gubernatorial nominee Ben Jealous, 33 candidates for the State Senate and 99 candidates for the House of Delegates, have endorsed the Maryland Health Care For All! Coalition proposal to create a Prescription Drug Affordability Board. This Board is needed to make high cost prescription drugs more affordable because **drug don't work if people can't afford them**. The attached list of endorsing candidates includes the incoming majority leaders of both Houses and eleven of the thirteen incoming standing committee chairs, strongly indicating that the General Assembly leadership plans to make prescription drug affordability a priority for the 2019 General Assembly Session. Also attached is the statement of support endorsed by the candidates.

"We thank all the candidates for state office who have endorsed our Prescription Drug Affordability Board proposal and we urge them to make this one of their top campaign issues," said Vincent DeMarco, President of the Maryland Citizens' Health Initiative. "We believe that Maryland voters will elect a General Assembly committed to passing this life-saving legislation."