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**STATEMENT FROM 100 BLACK MEN OF AMERICA, INC. CHAIRMAN  
ALBERT E. DOTSON, JR. REGARDING THE PASSING OF THE HEALTH  
CARE REFORM BILL**

This weekend, our country's leaders have made a historic stand and statement that has echoed across our nation and into the homes of nearly 32 million Americans. President Barack Obama recently said "This is what change looks like". The inevitable evolution of our country stems from change. It was the same idea of change that provided voting rights for women and African-Americans, it was change that ushered in the freedom for equal access to educational tools and opportunities for all and now it is the same fundamental concept of change that will provide the uninsured and underinsured with access to needed health care.

In historic fashion, our nation decided to put families first and to change the lives of our youngest to our most eldest citizens. However, this spirited debate on health care and other pressing issues is far from over. I urge each American to stay actively engaged in the process and keenly aware of the inevitable debates at hand. Our power to influence change did not solely emerge from Washington but from the collective cry of a people in need of a solution and in search of affordable health care for themselves and their loved ones.

Each day, our members work on the frontline in the underserved, forgotten and blighted communities in America and around the globe. The 100 knows the faces of the uninsured. We have heard the cry of the people in need of access to health care. And now, in a defining moment in American history, we hear the celebration of 32 million individuals who thought they had no voice and the cheers from the generations who will benefit from those in Washington who believe in change.

I applaud the work, leadership, courage and vision of those who voted for reforming our health care system.

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