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Dear Sorors:

Over the last few months, our country has engaged in a vital conversation on healthcare. This debate is not a new one, especially as it relates to the growing healthcare disparities in the African-American community. The African-American community has a lot at stake and we must stand up and let our voices be heard. As leaders and advocates, I implore all members of Delta Sigma Theta to get in the debate. Studies show that one in five African-Americans do not have healthcare insurance and those who do have insurance spend a higher percentage of their income on health care costs than their white counterparts. The reality is that with the increase of chronic diseases in the African-American community and the steadily rising healthcare costs, we cannot remain silent.

More than half a century ago, Dr. Martin Luther King said “off all forms of inequality, injustice in health care is the most shocking and inhumane.” We cannot let Dr. King’s words ring true for another generation. We have to get informed and TAKE ACTION. Go to the following web sites and find out what the different proposals entail: www.rnc.org, www.democrats.org; and www.healthreform.gov. As a non-partisan organization, Delta Sigma Theta is not led by partisan politics, but by robust ideas that will improve the quality of life in the African-American community.

After you research the plans, contact your legislators and let them know that healthcare reform cannot wait. To find your legislator, go to www.congress.org and enter your zip code into the “Get Involved” tool.

If you have any questions, please contact Soror Candi Mundon at 202-986-2400 ext. 557 or cmundon@deltasigmatheta.org.

With a Servant’s Heart,

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