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### **WISCONSIN FAITH VOICES FOR JUSTICE APPLAUDS SUPREME COURT RULING UPHOLDING FEDERAL HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDIES**

Today the United States Supreme Court handed down a decision which is a major victory for millions of Americans, including 183,000 Wisconsin citizens who have signed up for health insurance through the federal Marketplace. Wisconsin Faith Voices for Justice applauds this landmark decision, which will ensure that health care will remain affordable for low-income families.

As people of faith, we believe that health care is a right, not a privilege, and that it is the responsibility of government to provide it for those citizens who cannot afford it on their own. A moral society looks out for the welfare of its citizens and ensures that everyone can meet their basic needs of food, shelter, education, and health care. Today's decision is a tremendous step forward in making health care accessible to all.

However, the work of providing universal health care is not yet complete. We continue to call upon Governor Walker and our state legislature to take the next step, and accept the federal funding to expand BadgerCare, so that all our low-income individuals and families will have the health care they need. Let our state be a place where no one ever again has to choose between food and health care; where no one ever again faces bankruptcy because of a catastrophic illness or accident; and where no one dies because they could not afford the health care they needed. We pray that Governor Walker will hear our voices and do the right and moral thing, and make health care accessible for all.