November 5, 2021

U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative:

On behalf of the American Public Health Association, a diverse community of public health professionals that champions the health of all people and communities, I write in strong support of H.R. 5376, the Build Back Better Act. This historic legislation includes many of the initiatives in Rtgulf gpv/Dkf gpøu"

The Build Back Better Act also includes significant investments for expanding and improving health coverage in the nation moving us closer to the goal of achieving universal health coverage for all. The bill would close the current Medicaid coverage gap by providing premium tax credits and cost-sharing subsidies for more than 2 million uninsured individuals who live below the poverty line through 2025. Importantly, the bill would also expand Medicare benefits by adding coverage for hearing services for o kmkqpu'qh'qw q q