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Dear Ms. Brewer and Ms. Lynch:

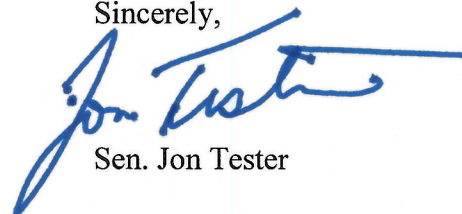
I am writing to express my opposition to Walgreens' decision to ban the sale of legal medication prescribed by doctors to women who need it. America was founded on the principle of freedom and I am deeply concerned that Walgreens is limiting the sale of mifepristone and misoprostol, even in states like Montana where these medications and abortion care are legal. I strongly urge Walgreens to reverse course, urge CVS to maintain its current policies, and for both companies to ensure access to this critical medication and leave the private medical decisions of women between herself and her doctor. I always fight to defend Montanans' right to privacy, and am demanding an end to this unacceptable response to government overreach.

The decision to further limit access to mifepristone and misoprostol will have real-world consequences for women in Montana. Many Montanans, especially in rural areas, rely on businesses like Walgreens and CVS pharmacies to provide needed medications and health care advice. This decision will force women to decide between traveling extremely long distances or to seek out illegal and potentially unsafe alternatives, which could put their health and lives at risk. This is unacceptable, and I urge you to reconsider your policy.

As a major provider of health care products and services, your industry has a responsibility to ensure that all individuals have access to the legal medications they need to maintain their health and well-being. Limiting access to mifepristone and misoprostol undermines this responsibility and is a clear example of how politics can interfere with medical care.

I urge you to reverse your decision and take steps to ensure that all women, including those in rural America, have access to safe and effective health care. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,



Sen. Jon Tester

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