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Support for Medicaid expansion in Virginia

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Gentlepeople:

I am writing to ask for your support of the expansion of Medicaid in Virginia to the limits authorized by the federal Affordable Care Act of 2009. This seems to me to be a justifiable cost-saving measure, as regular care by a physician is cheaper than emergency room care when a condition is left untreated; because of our insistence on humanity, hospitals are required to treat everyone who shows up, and the bills run up by the uninsured who make such an emergency room visit end up being subsidized by all of us. Additionally, as has been noted in the press, some businesses have chosen to reduce workers' hours to avoid the ACA requirement of providing health insurance, which presents the possibility that more good, working people will be unable to afford health insurance and will have to do without under current limits. It is wrong for these people to be victims of the state legislature's war on "Obamacare".

Thank you for considering my opinion.

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