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NABIP Comments on President Biden's State of the Union Healthcare Priorities

Washington, DC – The National Association of Benefits and Insurance Professionals (NABIP) CEO Jessica Brooks-Woods issued the following statement on President Biden's State of the Union address:

"President Biden's commendation of the Affordable Care Act's (ACA) success and the enrollment of over 21 million people highlights the need that every American deserves access to affordable, comprehensive healthcare coverage. Notably, agents assisted in nearly 80% of federally facilitated ACA enrollments, highlighting their pivotal role in connecting individuals with suitable coverage options and helping them navigate the complexities of our healthcare system. Beyond enrollment, agents and brokers become indispensable advisors helping individuals and employers make informed decisions about their health coverage throughout the plan year.

"NABIP acknowledges the pressing need for action on price transparency, mental health initiatives, and affordable prescription drugs. We strongly urge Congress to work collaboratively in a bipartisan manner to ensure comprehensive and accessible healthcare for all Americans. These initiatives reflect NABIP's mission and resolute commitment to addressing critical healthcare challenges and enhancing the overall well-being of our nation.

"To that end, NABIP urges the Senate to prioritize and complete their essential work on expanding telehealth flexibilities as well providing employer reporting relief so employers can focus on creating more jobs and opportunities for their current employees. These initiatives are integral components of a modernized healthcare system that responds effectively to the evolving needs of our community, ensuring that healthcare remains adaptable and accessible in an ever-changing landscape.

"As unwavering advocates for benefits and insurance professionals, NABIP looks forward to our continued work with the administration and members of Congress to further these critical healthcare initiatives. Together, we can create healthcare that prioritizes the well-being of all Americans by fostering a resilient, equitable, and sustainable healthcare ecosystem."

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