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I'm Cathy Ruse of the Family Research Council, and I want to speak to you as a mother, a lawyer, and a Catholic.

As a mom, I stand against Obamacare because I care about my daughters' future. I want them to have the freedom to choose the best doctor they can find, and to get the medical care they need, when they need it. Obamacare is a threat to that freedom. I don't want my daughters growing old or growing sick in a country that rations their care or that gives federal bureaucrats the power to deny them care.

As a lawyer, I stand against Obamacare because it's an unprecedented power-grab by the federal government. The Founders of this country never envisioned the federal government reaching so deeply into our personal lives.

As a Catholic, I stand with the millions of religious Americans who believe the government should not force individuals or organizations to violate their faith or face serious fines. The HHS mandate does just that. We demand relief from this mandate!

Obamacare forces all of us – religious or not – to pay for other people's elective abortions through our tax dollars. Whether or not you believe abortion is "healthcare," we can all agree that Americans should not be forced to pay for other people's elective abortions.

Congress should defund Obamacare now.