



For Immediate Release: October 12, 2017

Contact: Ashley Wilson, awilson@networklobby.org, 202-601-7856

Sister Simone Campbell Reacts to another Trump Administration Attack on Healthcare

"It is morally reprehensible to hurt people through unjust policies for political gain."

WASHINGTON, D.C. – In response to the Trump administration's executive order to weaken the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and roll back protections for people with pre-existing conditions, **Sister Simone Campbell, SSS, Executive Director of NETWORK Lobby for Catholic Social Justice** said:

"The Trump Administration continues to do as much as possible to destabilize the American healthcare system, increase costs for families, and prevent people from accessing the care they need. Today's executive order is the latest attack on our healthcare, following a long line of attempts to repeal and cripple the ACA.

"This executive order will drive up premiums for many—especially middle-class families and people with pre-existing conditions—to further undermine the ACA. **It is morally reprehensible to hurt people through unjust policies for political gain.**

"People of faith call on Congress and the Administration to care for the common good and stabilize the individual marketplace, not sow chaos. Our responsibility is to care for each other and ensure all have access to quality, affordable healthcare. This executive order takes us in the wrong direction. I urge the Administration to abandon all ACA sabotage and instead act to meet the needs of our people."

###

NETWORK – advocates for justice inspired by Catholic sisters – educates, organizes, and lobbies for economic and social transformation. They have a 45-year track record of lobbying for critical federal programs that support those at the margins and prioritize the common good. www.networklobby.org