[Insert Date]

The Honorable [Insert your Member of Congress name here]

[Office Address]

[House Office Building]

[Street Address]

Washington, D.C. [Zip Code]

Dear Rep/Senator: \_\_\_\_\_[Insert your Member’s name here]:

On behalf of the [XYZ Organization] of [City, State], a multispecialty medical group/integrated system of care which employs [number] physicians/providers and [number] total employees, I urge you to stop the more than 10% cuts to Medicare reimbursement by the end of the year.

These dramatic payment reductions are comprised of a 4% Medicare cut due to Pay-As-You-Go (PAYGO) offsets, the automatic 2% Medicare sequester cuts, and a 4.4% reduction to the Medicare conversion factor. Cuts of this magnitude will significantly impact the way [XYZ Organization] can deliver care.

While we appreciate the approval of The Protecting Medicare and American Farmers from Sequester Cuts Act (S. 610), which delayed the cuts for a year, Congress must again address the impending cuts by the end of the year. As providers battle workforce shortages, historical inflation, and the ongoing strain of the COVID-19 pandemic, additional action must be taken to prevent significant burdens on the healthcare infrastructure and the communities they serve. In a survey of AMGA members, 75% said they would need to implement hiring freezes, 69% would eliminate services, and 58% would delay investments in addressing social determinants of health. These alarming statistics are a testament to the critical impact the cuts will have on providers and patients.

It is critical that [XYZ Organization] receive the support to provide the best care to our patients, many of whom are still slowly returning to the healthcare system and have a variety of delayed health concerns. It’s also crucial to that Congress continue funding so that we can retain and reward our providers and employees, who have done so much to help our community over the past two years. Now is not the time for us to face significant cuts to Medicare reimbursement. We urge Congress to address these critical issues as the legislative session continues. Thank you for considering my comments, and please feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss this issue further.

Sincerely,

[Your name here]

[Title]

[XYZ Organization]

[Address]

[City, State, Zip Code]

[Phone Number]