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Your Email	robertmccullough@bellsouth.net
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Your Message	My name is Robert McCullough. I live in DeRidder. My wife and I are both retired. I retired from the Beauregard Parish Sheriff Department in 2008 after 31 years. My wife retired from the State of Louisiana as a foster care supervisor after 34 years. My wife has several medical issues. She has had two Thymoma tumors removed, one in 2014 and another in 2021. In 2022 she spent 52 days in the hospital with Covid pneumonia. During her 2021 Thymoma surgery a portion of her right lung was removed and her phrenic nerve was damaged causing a paralyzed right hemidiaphragm. At one point her lung function was at 32%. Thank God it is now 58%. She sleeps with an

the day. She has been diagnosed with Lupus a number of years ago which has contributed to a lot of her medical issues. She sees a number of doctors for her Lupus, heart doctor for Afib, pulmonologist both in Lake Charles and Houston Methodist, an infectious disease specialist, immunologist (low immune system), and a number of others. She has had viral pneumonia, radiation pneumonia, Covid pneumonia, as well as other illnesses, and a number of hospitalizations. I say all of this to say that Blue Cross Blue Shield along with Medicare had done an excellent job of providing the medical treatment that she needs to treat her many ailments. We would hope that Mr. Temple will not allow BCBS to be sold. BCBS has also provided excellent service to me as well. I have spoken to a large number of retired people who have BCBS as their insurer who are scared to death as we are as to what would happen to the cost and coverage provided by a new healthcare provider. Again please do not allow this sale. Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Please call me if you have any questions.

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