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Attn: Brian James:

Dear Mr. James,

I'm one of those several thousands every day, who despair of ever getting through to ask questions & give our opinions. In fact, the last time I tried was when Thomas & Anita were at it hammer & tongs, & I wanted to say then, & I've yet to hear anyone mention the fact that: if Thomas had been running for dog catcher, we'd never have heard from Anita Hill. (I feel better)

Needless to say, a window on the world was put in my little HUD apartment where I've been for 5 years, when our local TCI Cable Co included your station a year ago. All other channels pale by comparison by the real drama of our time.

What worries me is this: ever since New Hampshire, I've heard people on C-Span & otherwise say, "I like what Jerry Brown says, BUT, of course he's non-electable, & Jerry in his heart of hearts knows that". And this is said with an attitude of a forgone conclusion, & to be accepted by all.?

And it keeps getting repeated & repeated in much the same way. WHAT IS IT YOU IN THE OPINION MAKING FRACTION KNOWS THAT THE GENERAL PUBLIC DOESN'T...?

Frankly, at this point, if our choice in November is either Clinton & Bush, which is no choice at all, I shall give up on our democratic system, & head back to China where I was born & brought up the first 13 years of my life. No, I'm not Chinese.

Jerry Brown is the only one left who is for the Single Payer Universal Health Care plan, for which most of us here in Oregon have been working to perfect since 1985. It in no way resembles that mish-mash presented on Sixty Minutes several Sundays ago. It more resembles Senator Russo's HR 1300 bill, but ours is better. After all, we've had the example of every health care plan in the world, & it only stands to reason that our plan should contain the best of all of them.

One of your best guests, who could really present the Single Payer, Universal Health Plan, would be Rich Rohde, a tireless worker & leader for the Oregon Fair Share, 503-779-4910. In fact there are several people; a woman I once heard, who'd make a particularly interesting guest & is very entertainingly verbal named Ellen Pinney, Executive Director of the Oregon Health Action Campaign, with whom the Rogue Valley Fair Share has been working on this Plan.

Please, Mr. James, give us air time to bring to the American public this plan.

I thank you in the name of:

1. My helpless invalid daughter-in-law, whom my older son is trying to take care of night & day - ever since he lost his job with Unisys. His daughter is working in a sandwich shop, but his 15-year old son ~~her~~ is too young for permanent employment.
2. My younger son, who was mugged & beaten & had 3 teeth kicked out....just before Christmas, 1991.
3. My daughter who's desperately trying to keep her husband out of a nursing home; he's nearly blind, & had a paralyzing stroke last summer.

None of the above have any insurance; needless to say, none can afford it, & in my daughter-in-law's case, no one will cover her.

Just like the "jobs, jobs, jobs", we can't wait several years to get a plan passed; Jerry Brown is the only one who's for the Universal Health Care. None of the others knows what he's talking about, as anyone, who's really studied & probed, could ^{not} possibly be for anything except the Single Payer plan.

I forgot to mention the children's Father who is paying \$3,000 a month for two round-the-clock nurses aides. If Medicare pays for any of that, I'll be surprised.

Sad story, isn't it? And that is repeated everywhere I go; the teachers at the school where I work as a Foster Grandparent; the other 49 inmates in this 50-unit HUD housing complex.

Again, thank you for reading me out,

Sincerely,

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