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April 2, 2017

Secretary Tom Price, MD  
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services  
200 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20201

Dear Secretary Price,

I'm contacting you on behalf of Training to Serve, a Minnesota based nonprofit organization, and our constituents. Our organization strongly opposes the Administration for Community Living's proposal to remove data collection regarding LGBT older adults from the National Survey of Older Americans Act Participants and the Annual Program Performance Report for Centers for Independent Living.

These surveys provide critical information on the effectiveness of federally funded aging programs like meals for home-bound elders, family caregiver support, adult daycare and senior centers. Refusing to collect information about serving LGBT older adults is contrary to the federal government's responsibility under the Older Americans Act and Rehabilitation Act to serve all elders.

Please reconsider and reverse your decision to remove LGBT older adults from these critically important surveys.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

CC: Minnesota Congressional Delegation  
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