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**REID, KENNEDY, SALAZAR, RELIGIOUS LEADERS URGE PRESIDENT
BUSH NOT TO VETO CHIP**

WASHINGTON, DC— Tomorrow, at 11:45am, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, Senator Edward M. Kennedy, and Senator Ken Salazar will join with religious leaders Fr. Clarence Williams of Catholic Charities USA, Sister Catherine Pinkerton, CSJ, Network—National Catholic Social Justice Lobby, and Rabi Michael Namath of the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism in support of the Children's Health Insurance Program.

With more than 9 million uninsured children in America, this bill will make quality health care available to those who need it most— something the Administration has failed to do. Despite bipartisan support for this bill in both the United States Senate and House of Representatives, the President has threatened to veto this important measure.

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WHAT: Press Conference on CHIP

WHERE: United States Capitol Building, Room S-120

WHEN: 11:45am tomorrow, Wednesday, September 26, 2007

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