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## Letter: Senate vote for health care require courage

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**S**ens. John Thune and Mike Rounds join the chorus of Republicans praying for Sen. John McCain's recovery, as do all citizens of good will for this remarkable man who has dedicated his life to public service. But the earlier statements of these two senators in support of the repeal of the Affordable Care Act suggest that this is part of the ultimate Faustian deal to urgently pray for the speedy recovery of Sen. John McCain so that he might fly back to Washington to vote to strip 23 million Americans of their health care insurance, including health insurance for thousands of people in South Dakota.

Prayerful tweets for McCain's recovery are no substitute for courageous votes in the Senate to provide for continued health care for every citizen of this country and in my native state.