Dear Representative:

As an independent pharmacy owner in your district, I am a constituent, healthcare provider and small business owner. As an employer, I employ **(INSERT NUMBER**) of people in the district. As a health care provider, my patients trust me as a resource they can turn to for questions on their medications, including proper use and adherence as well as guidance on whether a suitable generic alternative may be available to them. I am a pharmacist to serve patients.

Unfortunately, my ability to serve my patients is often jeopardized by corporate middlemen called pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs). Large PBMs own their own retail or mail order pharmacies that compete with mine, yet they are able to determine whether I can participate in their pharmacy networks, my reimbursements for dispensing medications which are often below my costs, and they utilize my patient data to steer them to the PBMs own pharmacies.

I cordially invite you to visit and tour my pharmacy when your schedule allows during an upcoming in-district work period and see firsthand the important role we play in our healthcare system and communities, and to better understand the challenges we face and legislative solutions that level the playing field and also reduce costs to taxpayers.

Thank you for your service to our district and for your consideration of this invitation. I hope your schedule will allow for a visit in the near future.

Sincerely,