2020 SAMPLE LETTER | The letter below can be copied and personalized to send via traditional mail or via email.

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Dear Representative/Senator [Select and add the name],

As a constituent who has been directly touched by the scourge of bladder cancer, I am writing to ask for your leadership in Congress to ensure that guaranteed healthcare coverage for pre-existing conditions will remain a bedrock foundation of the American healthcare system. In addition, work on my behalf to increase federal funding for bladder cancer research to a level that more adequately reflects this horrible disease’s impact on our nation.

Bladder cancer is the sixth most-commonly-diagnosed cancer with more than 81,000 Americans receiving their initial diagnosis this year alone. It is the fourth mostly commonly diagnosed cancer within our veteran’s community. Over 18,000 Americans will lose their lives to bladder cancer in 2020. Despite these impacts, bladder cancer research has historically been underfunded, when it comes to federal research dollars.

While those figures clearly demonstrate bladder cancer’s impact on our country, let me tell you how this disease has personally affected myself, my family, and my community, nearly all of whom are your direct constituents.

(Add a few sentences to tell your personal story)

Bladder cancer is having a significant impact on many of your constituents. As I look towards the Supreme Court’s upcoming decision on the legality of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), as well as various proposals by both parties to improve the current healthcare system, I am asking for your leadership in ensuring that the pre-existing conditions protections of the ACA will be protected. In addition, I am asking for your support to increase federal funding for bladder cancer research so that the dollars committed to fighting bladder cancer are more in line with the disease’s impact on our nation.

Thank you for listening to my personal story. I look forward to hearing from you as to what you are doing in Congress to fight bladder cancer.

Sincerely,