

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

THE AMERICAN HOSPITAL	:	
ASSOCIATION, <i>et al.</i> ,	:	
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Plaintiffs,	:	Civil Action No.: 18-2084 (RC)
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v.	:	Re Document Nos.: 2, 14
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ALEX M. AZAR II, United States	:	
Secretary of Health and	:	
Human Services, <i>et al.</i> ,	:	
	:	
Defendants.	:	

**ORDER**

**DENYING DEFENDANTS’ MOTION TO DISMISS; GRANTING PLAINTIFFS’ MOTION FOR A PERMANENT INJUNCTION; DENYING AS MOOT PLAINTIFFS’ MOTION FOR A PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION**

For the reasons stated in the Court’s Memorandum Opinion separately and contemporaneously issued, Plaintiffs’ Motion for a Preliminary Injunction (ECF No. 2) is **DENIED AS MOOT**, the Secretary’s Motion to Dismiss (ECF No. 14) is **DENIED**, and Plaintiffs’ Motion for a Permanent Injunction (ECF No. 2) is **GRANTED**. It is **HEREBY ORDERED** that:

1. The parties shall provide supplemental briefing on the appropriate remedy, limited to no more than 25 pages per brief, within 30 days of this Order’s issuance; and
2. The parties shall respond to those briefs, limited to no more than 15 pages per response, within 14 days after the supplemental briefs are filed.

**SO ORDERED.**

Dated: December 27, 2018

RUDOLPH CONTRERAS  
United States District Judge