

2010 Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with South Dakota Codified Laws 21-49-25, and pursuant to a Judgment dated the 21st day of May, 2012, that a sale of certain mortgaged premises described as follows:

South One Hundred Eighteen Feet (S118') of Lot Twelve (12), Block Nineteen (19), West Yankton, City and County of Yankton, South Dakota, as per plat as recorded in Book G, page 11 and survey recorded in Book S15, page 10,

shall be made by public sale to the highest bidder on the 3rd day of July, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., at the front door of the Yankton County Courthouse, Yankton, South Dakota.

The name of the mortgagor is Renee L. Freeman and the mortgage was given to First National Bank South Dakota and assigned to the South Dakota Housing Development Authority of Pierre, South Dakota. The amount due, pursuant to the Judgment, is \$114,671.01. The date of the mortgage is 20th day of October, 2008, and the mortgage was recorded in the Office of the Yankton County Register of Deeds on the 20th day of October, 2008, at 10:15 a.m., in Book 481, page 213. **The sale is subject to the 2011 real property taxes due and payable in 2012, and any special assessments due and owing.**

Dated at Yankton, South Dakota, this 31st day of May, 2012.

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Gift

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"It's nice to have a named building on our campus from someone who had such a large impact on the Yankton community."

The new greenhouse, along with the other lab rooms that will be constructed, will allow students to engage in aspects of science education that are clearly aligned with educated individuals in science. The new center will also allow for more hands-on opportunities for students, and more problems-based learning opportunities as well.

Benoit noted that the lab will give students the opportunity to learn more about biological diversity, ecosystems and the interactions of organisms with their environment. He added that students will also be given the chance to deal with species that may not typically be available without a greenhouse because of the harsh South Dakota winters.

"Students' educational experiences are enhanced because of the greenhouse," Benoit said. "We are quite excited about the donation."

He added the new science complex will allow for the community and region to have new opportunities not present before for education in the sciences. "These will be wonderful new

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level in a way that works for hard-working farm and city families who deserve accessible and affordable health care."

South Dakota's demographics add to the difficulty of providing access to health care, Hunhoff said.

"We have unique challenges here because we have many people earning low incomes who can't afford quality insurance, many small businesses that have been priced out of the health insurance market and a growing number of senior citizens, many of whom live in rural communities where access to care is a challenge," he said.

Federal health reform has already benefited South Dakotans of all ages, Hunhoff said.

"The new program has already helped tens of thousands of South Dakotans by reducing prescription costs, allowing young adults to stay on family policies and preventing insurance policies from being canceled just because you lose your job or can't work because of an illness," he said.

"Americans deserve the best health care in the world — we're paying more for health care than anyone in the world — and it's time we demand quality, accountability and accessibility. It will be a continuing debate on the state and federal level, but this is a major step forward."

Hunhoff said he was glad to see the Supreme Court rule the federal government cannot threaten states over Medicaid rules.

"We should be able to establish eligibility guidelines that fit our limited state budget and our priorities," he said. "The Supreme Court's 5-4 majority really showed some old-

fashioned American common sense."

District 18 Sen. Jean Hunhoff and District 18 Rep. Nick Moser (both R-Yankton) couldn't be reached for comment for this story.

NEBRASKA STATE SEN. TYSON LARSON

In Nebraska, District 40 State Sen. Tyson Larson of O'Neill said he was surprised with the decision, particularly with Chief Justice Paul Roberts voting with the left and Justice Paul Kennedy with the right.

Larson was elected to his first term in 2010. He serves a large portion of north-central and northeast Nebraska, including Knox and Cedar counties.

The freshman lawmaker sees the GOP trying to repeal health reform in Washington by winning the White House and both houses of Congress. However, he sees tremendous difficulty for a GOP sweep of all three.

"Since the Republicans aren't likely going to gain a super-majority (of the U.S. Senate) in 2012, (the health reform law) will probably be there for quite a while," Larson said.

In general, Larson sees the federal health law as an infringement on individual and state rights. He opposes any effort by the federal government to force Medicaid expansion on states.

That said, states are now left to decide whether to expand Medicaid, Larson said. On the other hand, low- and middle-income citizens not covered by Medicaid could find themselves unable to purchase insurance. In addition, health costs for the poor could be shifted to governments or elsewhere in the health system, he said.

Nebraska lawmakers will also face decisions about a health insurance exchange with another state, Larson said.

"(Nebraska) Gov. Heineman said he was completed opposed to that exchange because he believed that Obamacare would not be constitu-

tional," he said.

With Thursday's court ruling, Nebraska legislators now know the decisions they must tackle when they return to Lincoln, Larson said. Those decisions come at a time when lawmakers already face tough decisions about taxes and the funding of state services, he said.

Larson also worries about the effect of the federal health law on businesses, which in turn affects economic growth.

"This is just the beginning of a lot of discussion," he said.

AVERA HEALTH SYSTEM

Thursday's court decision brings at least some certainty for health care providers, according to an official with another one of the region's largest health systems.

Deb Fischer-Clemens, public policy advisor for the Avera Health System, said she literally had no idea how the Supreme Court would rule on health reform.

"We had analyzed it, and Avera had six options of what could happen, how this might affect us and what we would do next," she said. "We were ready to deal with whatever came down to us."

Fischer-Clemens said she was surprised the high court ruled on the individual insurance mandate as a tax rather than as a commerce issue.

She found a number of positive things to come out of the federal health act. The legislation reflects Avera's emphasis on access for patient care, she said. In addition, young adults can remain on their parents' health insurance until age 26, and Medicare patients receive assistance with the "doughnut hole" in paying for their prescriptions, she said.

South Dakota also benefits from the "frontier amendment" for Medicare reimbursement of rural health providers, she said.

Fischer-Clemens sees a move-

ment toward more wellness programs. "If a patient goes to the physician for preventative care, they can find their symptoms and manage it rather than wait until they are very sick," she said.

Such an approach, along with insurance coverage, keeps patients out of the emergency room, which becomes a very expensive form of health care, she said.

Under health reform, states can choose to expand their Medicaid rolls, and the federal government would pick up 100 percent of that expansion, Fischer-Clemens said. The federal share becomes 98 and 96 percent in subsequent years. One study estimates the move would result in an additional 50,000 South Dakotans covered by Medicaid, she said.

State's that don't opt for Medicaid expansion won't get the 100 percent federal cost coverage for the additional patients, but those states also won't lose any money they already receive for Medicaid recipients, she said.

"My hope is that the Legislature and the governor recognize that this expansion benefits the citizens of this state," she said. "These people without insurance still get sick, and very low-income people still get sick. Those folks are still seeking care, and the taxpayers are taking care of it."

The issue of contraception under the health law remains a major concern for Catholic health facilities such as Avera and will be challenged, Fischer-Clemens said. "We consider it a violation of our religious liberty," she said.

South Dakota lawmakers also face the decision of whether to form an insurance exchange with another state, she said.

As the political battles rage over health reform, Avera has moved forward with meeting regulations rather than wait to see if the law becomes overturned, Fischer-Clemens said.

"The law has been on the books for two years. We have put a great deal of resources — people, financial and time — in meeting the letter of the law," she said. "It was a big concern for us, if this law was ruled unconstitutional. What if they rolled all of it back? There was a sigh of relief (with Thursday's ruling)."

The federal health law, while not perfect, contains important reforms, Fischer-Clemens said. The Supreme Court decision provides a major direction for health care, but the issue remains far from resolved, she said.

"It's a historic day, but this isn't the end by any means," she said. "We will continue to be dealing with it and will be hearing about it all the way up to the (November) election."

SANFORD HEALTH

Thursday's court decision allows health care providers to proceed with their planning and services, according to an official with another large regional health system.

Sanford Health responded to the Supreme Court decision with a statement from Cindy Morrison, vice president of health policy.

"The decision by the Supreme Court today provides us with a sense of certainty and allows us to move forward," she said. "This gives patients, providers and others the ability to advance in reforming and transforming health care."

Health providers are working with new laws, technology and delivery, Morrison said.

"At Sanford Health, we believe in the need to work together to solve these major issues through innovative care models and working with federal and state officials to ensure that our citizens receive the best value and highest-quality care possible," she said.

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also point to studies that predict private employers will be forced to reduce or eliminate coverage and that the legislation will wind up costing far more than estimated, raising federal deficits as a result.

Stocks of hospital companies rose and some insurance companies fell after the ruling.

The decision should help hospitals by adding millions of people to the rolls of the insured, expanding the pool of health care consumers. But by the same reasoning, insurance companies will also gain millions of premium-paying customers.

The court found problems with the law's expansion of Medicaid, but even there it said the expansion could proceed as long as the federal government does not threaten to withhold states' entire Medicaid allotment if they don't take part.

Justices Stephen Breyer, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Elena Kagan and Sonia Sotomayor joined Roberts in the outcome.

Justices Samuel Alito, Anthony Kennedy, Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas dissented.

Kennedy summarized the dissent in the courtroom. "In our

view, the act before us is invalid in its entirety," he said.

The dissenters said in a joint statement that the law "exceeds federal power both in mandating the purchase of health insurance and in denying non-consenting states all Medicaid funding."

The justices rejected two of the administration's three arguments in support of the insurance requirement. Roberts agreed with his conservative colleagues that Congress lacks the power under the Constitution's commerce clause to put the mandate in place.

"The federal government does not have the power to order people to buy health insurance," he said in a part of his opinion that the liberal justices did not join. But his crucial bottom line was: "The federal government does have the power to impose a tax on those without health insurance."

In all, the justices spelled out their views in six opinions totaling 187 pages. Roberts, Kennedy and Ginsburg spent 51 minutes summarizing their views in the courtroom.

The legislation passed Congress in early 2010 after a monumental struggle in which all Republicans voted against it. House Majority Leader Eric Cantor, R-Va., said Thursday the House will vote July 11 on whether to repeal the law, though such efforts have virtually no

chance in the Democratic-controlled Senate.

House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, said the health care law makes it harder for small businesses to hire workers. "Today's ruling underscores the urgency of repealing this harmful law in its entirety," he said.

But Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., heaped praise

on the court's decision, and the 2010 law, in a Senate speech. "Passing the Affordable Care Act was the greatest single step in generations toward ensuring access to affordable, quality health care for every American, regardless of where they live or how much money they make," he said.

House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi cast the decision as

vindication for her work to secure passage of the far-reaching legislation.

"This decision is a victory for the American people. With this ruling, Americans will benefit from critical patient protections, lower costs for the middle class, more coverage for families, and greater accountability for the insurance industry," Pelosi said.

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