

## ***Olbermann SPECIAL COMMENT: Health Care Obstructionists 'You Were Elected to Restore This Country'***

***MSNBC Countdown w/ KEITH OLBERMANN - 3 August 2009: Keith Olbermann delivers a Special Comment taking obstructionist Republican and Blue "Dog" Democrats to task for blocking health care reform. "You were not elected to create a Democratic majority. You elected to restore this country."***

***From YouTube OP: Keith Olbermann calls out Sen. John Thune, Sen. John McCain, Minority Leader Mitch McConnell and other Republicans - whom he argues own the insurance industry - as well as a few Democrats, too - specifically the 'Blue Dogs' who he calls 'Dogs'- in a Special Comment.***

***To Republican Sen. John Thune, Keith says: "We know what you are, sir, we're just arguing about the price."***

***OLBERMANN: "Congressman Mike Ross of Arkansas. Leader of the Blue Dogs in the House. You're the guy demanding a guarantee that Reform won't add to the deficit. I'm guessing you forgot to demand that about, say, Iraq. You're a Democrat, you say, Congressman? You saw what Sandy Barham said?"***

***Sandy Barham is 62 years old, she's got a bad heart, and she's hoping her valves will hold together for three more years until Medicaid kicks in, because she can't afford insurance. Not just for her, mind you. For her employees. She needs the public option. So do those six people who work at that restaurant of hers, Congressman Ross. And why should you give a crap?***

***Because Sandy Barham's restaurant is the Broadway Railroad Café, and it is at 123 West First Street North in Prescott, Arkansas. Prescott, Arkansas, Congressman Ross. Your home town.***

***You are Sandy Barham's congressman. Hers, Sir. Not Blue Cross's and Blue Shield's, even if they do insure 75 percent of the state and they own you."***

***"If you fail to pass or support this legislation, the full wrath of the progressive and the moderate movements will come down on your heads. Explain yourselves not to me, but to them... If you will behave as if you are Republicans, as if you are the prostitutes of our system, you will be judged as such. And you will lose not merely our respect; you will lose your jobs. Every poll, every analysis, every vote, every region of this country supports health care reform and the essential great leveling agent of a government-funded alternate to the unchecked duopoly of profiteering private insurance corporations. Cross us all at your peril."***

***"Because ladies and gentleman, President Lincoln did not promise that this nation shall have a new death of freedom and that government of the corporation, by the corporation, for the corporation shall not perish from this earth."***

***REF; CONFIRMATION FOR "The Heart of the Matter – is the Integrity of the Heart"***

*Don L. Johnson*

