## John Avlon Supports Cutting From Medicare Spending In Order To Pay For Electric Vehicle Tax Credit

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Wall Street Journal HEADLINE: "Why Is Medicare Saving Paying For Teslas?" (Mark Merritt, "Why Is Medicare Saving Paying For Teslas?" <u>The Wall Street Journal</u>, 8/17/22)