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RE: Mosaic Community Health - Conners Campus State Bond Request

Dear Senator Lieber and Representative Sanchez,

This letter is regarding the Mosaic Community Health Conners Campus funding request. For more than 50 years, Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) have provided quality and affordable primary and preventive care, dental, behavioral health, pharmacy, and a variety of complementary services to America's most vulnerable patients and medically underserved communities. The Health Center Program, authorized by Section 330 of the Public Health Service Act (PHSA), aims to provide access to affordable, quality primary health care for underserved communities and populations. Locally, Mosaic Community Health's innovative community health center is the largest in the region, serving over 32,000 patients across Central Oregon.

Mosaic has 16 health centers spanning across Bend, Madras, Prineville, and Redmond including three pharmacies, seven School-Based Health Centers, and a Mobile Clinic that serves people experiencing homelessness. Mosaic's community health center model reaches beyond the boundaries of traditional medicine by bringing together multiple services and addressing care through a team-based approach. As a result, Mosaic patients benefit from a coordinated system that includes medical and dental care, behavioral health and substance use disorder services, nutrition services, pharmacy and more, leading to better patient outcomes and health care system cost savings.

I ask for full and fair consideration of Mosaic's \$4 million State Bond Request to help complete the development of the Conners Campus in east Bend by the end of 2026. The new Mosaic campus will provide accessible health services directly to primarily low-income, underinsured, or uninsured patients in the greater Bend area, whether they are residents, or commuters from the surrounding towns across the region. With the consolidation of pediatric, family practice, behavioral health, pharmacy, and dental services in one location, Central Oregonians will benefit from comprehensive, integrated health services provided in one accessible location.

Thank you for your full and fair consideration of this request, consistent with applicable agency guidelines.

Sincerely,

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