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"TO: Treasurer Steiner and Legislators,

Please support the Bay Area Hospital's plan for restabilization this session, including the plan for refinancing existing debt. The Bay Area Hospital still needs some assistance, but the disciplined recovery plan of the last few months has shown its potential for lasting financial independence.

If the State is unwilling to assist the Bay Area Hospital, it will likely downgrade to a "type B" hospital. This comes with a number of costs to wellness and the local economy, including an estimated 2,089 more patient transfers and 182 preventable deaths per year.

Please do what you can to save the Bay Area Hospital.