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RE: Modification to Order No. ID-RC-13-06

Dear Deputy Commissioner DiMemmo:

As someone who has seen the importance of having a strong Allegheny Health Network competing head-to-head with UPMC, I am writing in support of the proposed modification to Order No. ID-RC-13-06. This proposed modification would help to foster a more level playing field for real health care competition in western Pennsylvania.

The 37<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District is proud to have Jefferson Hospital providing services to many of our neighbors. Jefferson Hospital, part of the Allegheny Health Network, is a 341-bed award-winning hospital with nearly 400 physicians providing patients with their expertise in more than 40 specialties. Jefferson Hospital offers comprehensive inpatient and outpatient surgical services, as well as a Cardiovascular Institute, Cancer Institute, Orthopaedic Institute, Women and Infants Center, Women's Diagnostic Center, Sleep Disorders Center, Wound Care Center and Therapy Services.

Following their affiliation with Highmark, Jefferson recently completed a \$19.8 million project to complete the first new obstetrics program in Pennsylvania in 30 years. The new obstetrics program provides services to women and families who previously were forced to travel to Pittsburgh to deliver their children.

I know that continued strategic investment in local hospitals such as Jefferson will benefit patients by providing access to high quality care in a local setting. I urge you to favorably consider the requested modification.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Guy Reschenthaler', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Guy Reschenthaler  
37<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District

Cc: The Honorable Tom Wolf  
The Honorable Joseph Scarnati  
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