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Dr. Esmaeil Porsa

President & CEO Harris Health

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Dear Dr. Porsa:

In 2023, the Houston Police Officers' Union (HPOU) was proud to support Harris Health's successful \$2.5 billion bond referendum. As Harris County's only public safety net system, we understand the need to continue investing in our public health care facilities. Today, we are honored once again to stand in solidarity with you and submit this letter of support for the Ben Taub expansion project.

With Ben Taub Hospital being one of only two Level I trauma centers serving Harris County, it is imperative that Ben Taub be able to continue to provide critical and urgent care services to those most in need. Allowing Ben Taub to expand its capacity with a new patient tower that adds 100 additional beds will have valuable and immediate benefits. It will allow Harris Health to deliver medical services to patients in a timelier manner and help relieve the overcrowding Ben Taub currently experiences daily. This expansion will also help meet the increased demand for services as the population continues to grow in the region.

The value of the trauma care that Ben Taub Hospital provides for the public at large and first responders is immeasurable. HPOU is grateful for a resource such as Harris Health that provides urgent and critical care to our members during our most difficult and challenging times.

We thank you and all the doctors, nurses, and staff for their dedication to public health care.

Sincerely,

Doug Griffith, President