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Co-Chair Representative Tina Kotek
900 Court St. NE, Rm. 269
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Dear Representative Kotek:

First of all, thank you for your passion for healthcare reform and for your tireless and effective advocacy to see that all Oregonians receive the healthcare they deserve. Lifeworks NW is proud to operate in your district at our site on Lombard and always seeks to better improve and integrate care to achieve the best possible outcomes for those we serve.


In that spirit, we believe the Beaverton Community Health Collaborative holds great promise for all our communities and **LifeWorks NW supports the one-time capital request for \$3,000,000 in lottery bond funding** for an integrated health and wellness center.

Lifeworks NW is a committed partner in this innovative healthcare delivery model and has signed a 15 year lease for the proposed facility. Based on our ten year history of operating integrated mental health and addiction services with Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center; we believe this project is both clinically and operationally sustainable. Most importantly, this model takes our integration efforts to the next level by training the future workforce in integrated care while providing critical healthcare, education, anti-poverty and wellness services. This is not just a building; it is a whole new way to improve community health.

After over two years of working with this dynamic collaborative, I am confident that our work will be a model for our entire country. Already, we are applying our learning throughout all our clinics, including our site in St. Johns.

In closing, thanks again for all you do to support effective healthcare and innovation in service delivery. We hope you will support this next step in making the Beaverton Community Health Collaborative a reality, promising better health outcomes not just for Beaverton residents, but for all Oregonians.

Sincerely,



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