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November 4, 2024

Lake County Board of Supervisors
255 North Forbes Street
Lakeport, CA 95453

Re: City of Lakeport Support for the Establishment of a Lake County Hospital Business Improvement District.

Dear Chairman Sabatier and Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors,

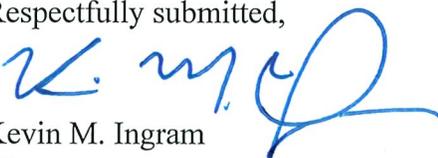
On behalf of the City of Lakeport, I am pleased to extend our support for the establishment of the Lake County Hospital Business Improvement District (LCHBID). We are fully supportive of this creative approach aimed at enhancing healthcare services for our community.

The establishment of the LCHBID represents a proactive strategy to retain a larger share of Medi-Cal funds within Lake County, ensuring these resources benefit local healthcare providers and strengthen the offerings of healthcare services in our community. In a time when many rural hospitals face closure and healthcare access continues to decline in rural areas, it is imperative that we pursue innovative solutions to sustain and improve local healthcare services. We recognize that the LCHBID's approach to leveraging local funds to secure federal matching dollars is an effective means to meet these goals.

Following a presentation from Sutter Lakeside Hospital's Executive Director to the Lakeport City Council on August 20, 2024, the Council unanimously expressed support for the LCHBID proposal, noting the significant positive impact it will have on the quality and accessibility of healthcare for Lake County residents. Our Council commends the County and healthcare partners involved for their dedication to addressing healthcare challenges and developing sustainable resources for our community.

We appreciate your consideration of this innovative model and look forward to the continued benefits it promises for Lake County.

Respectfully submitted,


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City Manager