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Cheryl Strange, Secretary Department of Social and Health Services Mail Stop 45010 Olympia, WA 98504-5010

Dear Secretary Strange:

Pursuant to Chapter 7, Laws of 2020, I hereby allocate \$2,500,000 to the Department of Social and Health Services from the Disaster Response Account-State.

Of the total amount, \$500,000 is for critical assistance to McKay Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center, a skilled nursing facility in Soap Lake, Washington. McKay Healthcare is the second largest employer in the community and was significantly impacted by COVID-19. These funds will prevent it from closing.

The remaining \$2,000,000 shall be used to provide one-time grants to nursing care facilities that are operating as a public hospital district. Funds may be provided to facilities that meet criteria determined by the department, and should include public hospital district facilities with significant census decline and must remain open. The intent is to maintain a network of nursing care facilities and prevent closure of small 24/7 centers that have been significantly impacted by COVID-19.

Using expenditure authority code 6C0, please submit the required allotment amendment packet to OFM using the "Operating Allocation" packet type. If you receive any federal funding for this purpose, report the amount and fund source to OFM so we can appropriately account for it.

If you have any questions, please contact OFM Budget Operations at (360) 902-0555 or <u>budget.operations@ofm.wa.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

David Schumacher Director

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