Supporting Community Hospital Long Beach since 1972

June 19, 2018

Honorable Mayor and City Council,

The Community Hospital Long Beach (CHLB) Foundation has a proven history as a strong philanthropic partner for Community Hospital Long Beach. We have invested significant capital in the operations, services, equipment, technology and programs of the hospital with the primary goal of ensuring that our community has direct access to the very best health care services available.

In anticipation of MemorialCare signing an interim operating agreement with Molina, Wu, Network (MWN), LLC, the Community Hospital Long Beach Foundation Board of Directors has unanimously voted to support purchasing, at a cost of up to one million dollars to the extent allowed under CHLBF's 501 (c) (3) tax exempt status, an indemnification insurance plan to insure MemorialCare against damages or losses as a result of actions related to the management or operation of Community Hospital Long Beach under the license issued to MemorialCare by the interim operator, MWN LLC. We encourage MemorialCare to act in the best interest of the community they serve and live up to their own mission statement by cooperating with both the City and MWN LLC in facilitating the transition of the new operator to Community Hospital.

The CHLB Foundation Board has further agreed to explore conducting a capital campaign related to supporting hospital seismic needs. The Foundation met with the new operator and has engaged in discussions to develop a "partnership" to support the hospital and the medical needs of the community.

The CHLB Foundation Board extends its gratitude to the Mayor, Council members, especially Councilman Supernaw, and City staff for their tireless efforts and financial support to work so quickly to find a resolution to the issue of the potential closure of the only hospital and emergency department on the eastside of Long Beach.

We look forward to our important role as a philanthropic partner and to working together with our City leadership, with our new operating partnership and with our community in achieving the goal of continuing acute and emergency care services at CHLB and to ensuring that these vital medical services remain continuously available and accessible to our community for many years to come.

CHLB Foundation Board of Directors