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Marlene L. Putman, J.D.
Tillamook County Community Health Centers
PO Box 489
Tillamook, OR 97141

RE: Letter of Support for HRSA Section 330 Grant

Dear Ms. Putman:

The Tillamook County Board of Commissioners is writing this letter as an agreement and commitment to the application being submitted by Tillamook County Community Health Centers (TCCHC) for continued Section 330 grant funding from the Health Resources Services Administration and the Bureau of Primary Health Care.

TCCHC works with a variety of partners to achieve the best possible health outcomes for the communities it serves. The Section 330 funding assistance is essential for the continued operation and health care services provided to Tillamook County communities. Additionally, TCCHC is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) with two clinic locations and a mobile clinic in the county and is a safety net clinic that does not turn away clientele, regardless of the client's ability to pay. Tillamook County has Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) scores for Primary Care, 18; Dental, 24; and Mental Health, 20.

TCCHC has been operating in Tillamook County for over 25 years and is an integrated FQHC with Primary Care and Public Health working together to offer clients much-needed outreach, preventative, dental, and behavioral health services. With the increased demand for access for quality services, and the continuing pandemic, we strongly support this application for continued Section 330 funding.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

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