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Good Afternoon Chair Lawson-Remer,

On behalf of UC San Diego Health, I am pleased to submit the attached letter of support regarding the September 30 Board Agenda Item 14: Preparing for Fiscal Disruption Through an Ad Hoc Subcommittee. Thank you for receiving our comments and for sharing them with the Board of Supervisors.

I am also copying the Clerk of the Board on this submission to ensure our comment is registered.

Sincerely,

David

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Re: Preparing for Fiscal Disruption through an Ad Hoc Sustainable Fiscal Planning Subcommittee

Dear Chair Lawson-Remer, Vice Chair Montgomery Steppe, and Members of the Board:

On behalf of UC San Diego Health, I am writing to express support for the establishment of the Ad Hoc Sustainable Fiscal Planning Subcommittee as outlined in Agenda Item 24, Preparing for Fiscal Disruption through an Ad Hoc Sustainable Fiscal Planning Subcommittee.

UC San Diego Health is deeply aware of how changes in federal and state funding ripple through the healthcare system. Reductions to Medicaid and nutrition assistance programs not only threaten the well-being of vulnerable residents but also place added strain on hospitals and their emergency departments, as well as, public health/community clinics that serve as providers of last resort.

When individuals lose coverage or access to basic supports like food and housing, they are more likely to defer care until health needs become urgent, often arriving in the hospital setting with more complex conditions. This increases risk to one's health status. It also increases uncompensated care costs and pressures the entire health system.

The subcommittee's focus on healthcare, behavioral health, food security, and inhome services is therefore directly tied to hospital operations and patient care. Planning ahead for these fiscal challenges is essential to ensuring continuity of services across the County, reducing avoidable hospitalizations, and protecting the capacity of providers to meet the community's needs.

While future actions that may arise from this effort will warrant further review, UC San Diego Health supports the framework of this subcommittee as a prudent step to sustain critical services and maintain regional stability during a period of fiscal uncertainty.

We thank the Board for its leadership in advancing this important item and for its commitment to the health and well-being of San Diego County residents.

Sincerely,

Patty Maysent, Chief Executive Officer UC San Diego Health