

January 15, 2021

University of California Board of Regents 1111 Franklin St., 12th floor Oakland, CA 94607

Subject: UCI Medical Center Irvine-Newport

Dear University of California Board of Regents,

We write you to share our strong support of the UCI Medical Center Irvine-Newport. We believe the medical center will be a vibrant centerpiece of the community's commitment to high-quality, environmentally friendly healthcare, and a source of pride for the region. At Community Health Initiative of Orange County (CHIOC) we are dedicated to increasing access to healthcare and this proposed medical center supports our mission.

With Orange County's population expected to increase at a double-digit pace over the next four decades. The new medical center helps the community stay ahead of this demand. The UCI Medical Center Irvine-Newport will offer unique services, such as the UCI Health Center for Advanced Care, the Center for Children's Health, a nationally designated cancer center and an integrative, evidence-based approach to personalized patient care. The medical center will be the centerpiece of UCI Presidential Gateway, where education medical research and discovery, and clinical care will converge to improve healthcare.

We support making healthcare more accessible to our community, especially for the individuals and families that CHIOC serves. Please accept our support of the UCI Medical Center Irvine-Newport at the University of California, Irvine. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at my office directly at 714-619-4050.

Sincerely,

Georgina Maldonado

Executive Director

Community Health Initiative of Orange County