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Dr. Hugh Straley, Chair, Robert Bree Collaborative Foundation for Health Care Quality 705 Second Avenue, Suite 410 Seattle, Washington 98104

Dear Dr. Straley:

Thank you for the incredible and comprehensive LGBTQ Health Care Report and Recommendations. These recommendations will advance our efforts to reduce health disparities and improve health outcomes outlined in the End AIDS Washington report.

We appreciate that the recommendations are cross-cutting, action-oriented, evidence-based, and provide direction for healthcare professionals and patients. The report serves as another example of the reputable work of the Robert Bree Collaborative.

We look forward to working with the Health Care Authority and other partners to build capacity to implement the recommendations. We appreciate the collaborative's outstanding efforts to improve health outcomes for all people living in Washington.

If you have any additional questions, comments, or concerns, please contact Dr. Kathy Lofy, State Health Officer, at (206) 418-5510 or kathy.lofy@doh.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

John Wiesman, DrPH, MPH

Secretary of Health

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