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Dr. Anthony S. Fauci, M.D. c/o National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Office of Communications and Government Relations 5601 Fishers Lane, MSC 9806 Bethesda, MD 20892-9806

Re: Letter of Appreciation

Dear Dr. Fauci:

On behalf of the Washington State Board of Health and its immediate past Chair, John Austin, PhD, please accept this letter of thanks and appreciation for your steadfast and distinguished service to the United States— and the world community— to prevent, diagnose, and treat infectious diseases.

We appreciate your many years of competent and dedicated service to prevent unnecessary illness and death from infectious diseases, culminating with your unwavering work during the COVID-19 pandemic. Your grace, composure, and leadership, in the face of partisan politics and misinformation campaigns, on a scale of which our nation had never experienced, inspired and gave us courage to continue our public health work at the state and local levels during these unprecedented events.

Thank you for your dedication to public health and public service. We wish you and your family health and happiness for the days to come.

Best Regards,

Kéith Grellner, Chair Washington State Board of Health

cc: Board members John Austin, PhD