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Umair:

I want to express the Board's appreciation for your service to the people of Washington state over the last four years. You came to Washington amid the COVID-19 pandemic and led the Department of Health with a focus on equity, innovation, and engagement.

I know that you are deeply committed to supporting underserved communities across our state and that you have worked to improve partnership with the private sector and actively promoted the extraordinary work being carried out by Washington's public health system.

The Board appreciates the dedication, passion and commitment you have shown to preventing disease and improving the public's health during a very challenging time. Thank you for your partnership and support of the governmental public health system and our Foundational Public Health Services effort.

We wish you and your family all the best.

Sincerely,

Patty Hayes,
Chair