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Dear Dr. Smith,

The Charleston County Medical Society is pleased to support Palmetto Promise Institute and its 'Healthcare Freedom Agenda'. We particularly commend the Legislators who are committed to passing substantial legislation to change the landscape of healthcare in South Carolina.

Specifically, full repeal of the Certificate of Need Law as filed in the House by Reps. Smith, Mace and 30 co-sponsors and in the Senate by Sens. Campsen, Climer, Davis and others is critical. 40 years of experience shows that the CON law DIRECTLY limits access, limits options, increases prices, hinders quality and limits charity care for the patients of South Carolina.

Charleston County Medical Society and the Coalition to Repeal CON unconditionally support full repeal of the CON law and the efforts of lawmakers to do so.

Most sincerely,

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