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Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman Albany County Legislature 112 State Street, Room 710 Albany, New York 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

Albany County Department of Health is requesting approval to submit an application to the NYS Department of Health for the Perinatal and Infant Community Health Collaboratives (PICHC) initiative. The goal of the PICHC initiative is to improve perinatal and infant health outcomes and eliminate racial, ethnic, and economic disparities in those outcomes. The funding will help implement collaborative community-based strategies to improve the health and wellbeing of individuals of reproductive age (15-44 years old) and their families with a focus on individuals in the prenatal, postpartum, and interconception periods.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

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Elizabeth F. Whalen, MD, MPH Commissioner of Health

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel Minority Counsel

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