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July 8, 2026

The Honorable Sarah Perry
Chair, King County Council
Room 1200
C O U R T H O U S E

Dear Councilmember Perry:

This letter transmits the 2026 Conty Hospital Tax Medicaid Reserve Spending Plan as prepared by the Harborview Board of Trustees in response to Ordinance 20023, Section 102, Proviso 4; and a proposed Motion, that would, if enacted, acknowledge receipt of the spending plan.

As required, the enclosed report provides the actual fiscal year to date reductions in Federal Medicaid funding received by Harborview Medical Center and the impact that Medicaid funding reductions and eligibility changes are having on Harborview Medical Center operations. The report also includes three options for use of the \$31 million Medicaid reserve for continued access to health care for Medicaid eligible or enrolled patients.

I look forward to continuing to work with the Council, the Harborview Board of Trustees and UW Medicine to ensure that Harborview Medical Center receives the support it needs to fulfill its mission. On behalf of the Harborview Board of Trustees, thank you for your consideration of this report.

If your staff have questions, please contact Jeff Muhm, Special assistant to the Executive's Leadership Team, at 206-263-4601.

The Honorable Sarah Perry

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karan Gill".

for

Girmay Zahilay

King County Executive

Enclosure

cc: King County Councilmembers

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