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Brian W. Frazee
President & CEO

The Honorable Valerie Longhurst
Speaker of the House
Delaware General Assembly
411 Legislative Ave.
Dover, DE 19904

Nemours Children's Health
Mark Marcantano, JD
Regional President,
Nemours Children's
Delaware Valley

Dear Madam Speaker,

The Delaware Healthcare Association, representing Delaware's hospitals, health systems, and related healthcare organizations, is pleased to support HS 1 for HB 5.

Bayhealth
Terry Murphy,
President & CEO

Ensuring access to care is one of DHA's top advocacy priorities for 2024. HS 1 for HB 5 takes steps to support access to care for Delaware students by allowing for reimbursement of medically necessary behavioral health services. Access to mental health services is increasingly important for students. While Delaware hospitals support mental health care in many schools through school-based health centers, it's important that all students have access to these services.

Beebe Healthcare
David A. Tam,
MD, MBA,
President & CEO

ChristianaCare
Janice E. Nevin,
MD, MPH
President & CEO

Thank you for the opportunity to share DHA's support for HS 1 for HB 5 and for your leadership on this important issue. We look forward to working with you and your colleagues in the General Assembly to advance this legislation.

TidalHealth Nanticoke
Penny Short, MSM, BSN,
RN
President & CEO

Sincerely,

Saint Francis Hospital
James Woodward
President, & CEO
Trinity Health Mid-
Atlantic Region

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Brian Frazee'.

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