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The Honorable Richard Pan

Chair, Senate Health Committee

1021 O Street, Room 3310

Sacramento, California 95814

**Re: SB 939 (Pan) – Prescription drug pricing. SUPPORT**

Dear Dr. Pan and Committee Members,

On behalf of [INSERT CHC NAME],I am writing to thank you for authoringSB 939 and respectfully request your “AYE” vote on SB 939 which will soon be heard by Senate Health Committee.

Today, over 1,300 community health centers (CHCs) in California provide high-quality, comprehensive care to 7.2 million people in California each year – that is roughly 1 in 5 Californians. For decades, community health centers have provided care to everyone, regardless of their ability to pay, their immigration status, or their individual circumstances. [INSERT A SENTENCE OR TWO ABOUT YOUR CHC].

The 340B Drug Pricing Program is an essential source of support for CHCs. Allowing CHCs to purchase outpatient drugs at significantly reduced costs, facilitates the ability for the health centers to pass the savings on to their patients through reduced drug prices and invest additional savings to expand access and improve health outcomes. [INSERT SENTENCE ON HOW YOUR HEALTH CENTER IS UTILIZING 340B SAVINGS TO CONTINUE PATIENT CARE].

Senate Bill 939 would prohibit discriminatory actions by pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs) and drug manufacturers when providing 340B drugs to CHCs and their patients. These important consumer protections are necessary to protect the remaining 340B savings for CHCs and their patients.

In recent years, CHCs have grown increasingly concerned about actions by PBMs, manufacturers and others who are taking 340B savings from CHCs while also threatening patient access to critical medicines available through the Federal 340B Program. [SHARE HOW THIS THREAT IS AFFECTING OR COULD AFFECT YOUR CHC].

**For these reasons, [INSERT CHC NAME], firmly supports SB 939 and we respectfully request your “AYE” vote when it comes before you in committee.**

Sincerely,

[INSERT SIGNATURE, TITLE of INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO REPRESENT ORGANIZATION]

cc: Senate Health Committee