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The Honorable Supervisor Nelson Vice Chair Orange County Board of Supervisors

RE: Item 10 Ratify Retroactive Approval of General Population Full Service Partnership

Dear Vice Chair Nelson and Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I am writing in support of the Orange County Health Care Agency's request for ratification of the selection and proposed agreement with Telecare Corporation for Full Service Partnerships (FSP) which will provide services to individuals who are, or at risk, of homelessness with mental illness.

FSPs are a critical tool in our System of Care with community-based and recovery-focused, and include the critical component of intensive case management, counseling and therapy, housing support, medication support, vocational and educational support, and 24 hours per day, seven days per week access to staff for emergency needs.

The consequences of homelessness are dire and costly. This item will afford Orange County another tool to help to alleviate homelessness by providing the necessary and immediate mental health treatment, and intensive case management. These essential services would ensure that this population would have every resource available to recover, rebuild, and work towards self-sufficiency.

Sincerely,

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