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Ms. Kwei,

My name is William Woodcock. I am a Howard County resident and I attended Wednesday's online meeting regarding setting up a Health Insurance Advisory Board. I am writing to express my support for establishing this board.

It's my observation that no other existing board or commission would look at the issues this board would review; specifically, payer denials. Given today's uncertain economy and insurance climate, it's important that avenues be established that support health care insurance consumers. Also, most of my professional career has been spent in the management of research projects including clinical trials. With the many world-class research institutions in Maryland, many patients find livesaving and life extending therapies through clinical trials. Current insurance coverage for clinical trials widely varies. It would be an essential function of this board to make sure that clinical trials remain covered by insurance so that organizations such as Johns Hopkins, University of Maryland, NIH, and others that operate in Maryland can offer these therapies to others who have otherwise given up hope.

Last, I'd like to state that I am representing myself in this matter. If any questions, I can be reached at ████████7 or ███████████████ Thank you for this opportunity.

Kind Regards,
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