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Peter Mucchetti
Chief, Healthcare and Consumer Products Section
Antitrust Division
United States Department of Justice
450 Fifth Street NW, Suite 4100
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Mucchetti:

As Mayor of East Hartford, I am writing regarding my interest in the CVS Health acquisition of Aetna. Attached is a copy of a letter sent to the Connecticut Department of Insurance during their consideration of the transaction.

I wanted you to be aware of this communication and to reiterate our continued support for the merger, which we believe, will be in the best interest of patients and consumers.

Thank you for your consideration of our views.

Sincerely,



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October 2, 2018

Commissioner Katharine L. Wade
Connecticut Department of Insurance
153 Market St. Hartford, CT 06103

Subject: CVS-Aetna Merger – Statement of Support

Commissioner Wade:

As Mayor of East Hartford, I write to encourage your support for the proposed merger between CVS Health and Aetna. By combining the inherent strengths of these two companies, my constituents and the community I represent would benefit from an improved health care experience as well as a stronger overall economy in the state.

I have lived in East Hartford my entire life and I've dedicated my professional career to helping my home town grow and thrive, serving both on the East Hartford Town Council and as mayor. During this time, and especially over the past eight years, I have worked hard to build a better city for residents and businesses alike. Improving access to and awareness of health care services, creating and supporting local jobs, and fostering economic development have all been vital to that goal. The potential merger between CVS Health and Aetna would complement and build upon these efforts.

As you may know, Aetna's headquarters is located across the Connecticut River, just a few miles from East Hartford. Many of our town's residents work for Aetna, and this merger is crucial to protecting their jobs, as well as the economic contributions the company makes to the entire region. As mayor, supporting job creation and spurring economic development are critical components of my long-term vision for East Hartford. This merger is necessary to maintain the jobs Aetna currently provides while creating new opportunities for our communities.

Moreover, the coming together of these two companies will enhance access to health care while helping to control costs for consumers and patients. It will bring new goods and services to communities that need them most – not only pharmaceutical, but wellness, nutrition, vision, and more. The 175 CVS locations across the state will be transformed into one-stop health care and wellness hubs where people can get the care they need more conveniently and affordably.

Please support the CVS-Aetna merger so East Hartford, all of Connecticut, and the entire country can begin to reap the benefits it will bring.

Sincerely,



Marcia Leclerc
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