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Warren Kampf, Senior Vice President The Hospital and Healthsytem Association of Pennsylania 30 North Third Street, Suite 600 Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear Mr. Kampf,

Thank you for your letter on April 27, 2020. In your letter, you do say that, according to the Pennsylvania Department of Health, "there are 37,000 total hospital beds in Pennsylvania." However, you did not answer the straightforward questions that I asked of you and the Hospital and Healthsystem Association of Pennsylvania ("HAP"). Since March 1, 2020, how many of those beds have been occupied by patients confirmed with COVID-19 on a daily basis? Where does the figure stand today and every day?

Certain hospitals and health systems have provided us this data on a particular date when we speak with a staff person for that hospital or health system. We do not receive the information daily to track.

Please provide us with the sources for your data.

I know that HAP has a contractual arrangement with the Pennsylvania Department of Health, but that relationship should <u>not</u> prohibit or prevent HAP from providing data relevant to public policy makers, the press or the public.

Very truly yours,

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