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Thomas R. Sullivan, Commissioner
State of Connecticut Insurance Department
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INSURANCE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CONNECTICUT

Dear Commissioner Sullivan,

Pursuant to Section 1(c) of Public Act 09-179, we respectfully request that the Insurance Department, through its statutory designees, review several particular proposed health benefits.

Specifically, we request that you seek the review of the proposed health benefits contained in Public Act 09-188, which the Governor vetoed:

- an increase in coverage for ostomy appliances and supplies
- an expansion of coverage to include prosthetic limbs
- an extension of coverage for hearing aids for children up to age 19
- an extension of coverage for wigs to people who suffer from alopecia areata
- an expansion of coverage for human leukocyte antigen testing
- an expansion of coverage for colonoscopies
- a requirement that insurance plans offer wellness incentives

Thank you for your attention to our request. We look forward to hearing from you and/or your designees this coming winter.

Best Regards,

Senator Joseph J. Crisco, Jr.
Co-Chair, Insurance & Real Estate Committee

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