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Senator Charles Schumer Majority Leader United States Senate SH-322 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Senator Patty Murray Chair Senate HELP Committee United States Senate 154 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510 Senator Mitch McConnell Minority Leader United States Senate SR-317 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Senator Richard Burr Ranking Member Senate HELP Committee United States Senate 217 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

RE: Support for Nomination of Dr. Robert Califf as Commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration

Dear Majority Leader Schumer, Minority Leader McConnell, Chair Murray and Ranking Member Burr,

On behalf of the undersigned healthcare organizations –we write to offer our support for Dr. Robert Califf's nomination to serve as Commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

As healthcare providers, we depend on the Food and Drug Administration to ensure the safety and effectiveness of therapies that are the foundation of our ability to care for patients. Senate confirmation of an experienced and highly qualified commissioner is essential to ensure the Agency can carry out this public health mission.

Dr. Robert Califf is a well-qualified candidate who was previously confirmed, with broad bipartisan support, to serve as FDA Commissioner. Dr. Califf brings decades of experience as a world recognized leader in cardiovascular medicine and clinical research. We believe Dr. Califf will bring the leadership needed to advance FDA's work in assuring the safety, efficacy and security of treatments, while helping to speed innovation that supports patient care and public health.

We are honored to support Dr. Califf and thank you for your consideration of his nomination. We encourage the Senate to support our patient care efforts by promptly confirming Dr. Robert Califf as FDA Commissioner. If we can provide any further assistance on this matter, please contact Tom Kraus at tkraus@ashp.org.

Sincerely,

Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy Alabama Society of Health-system Pharmacists American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy American College of Clinical Pharmacy American College of Rheumatology **American Pharmacists Association** American Society of Consultant Pharmacists American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Colegio de Farmaceuticos de Puerto Rico College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists Florida Society of Health-System Pharmacists Hematology/Oncology Pharmacy Association Idaho Society of Health-System Pharmacists Illinois Council of Health-System Pharmacists Indiana Society of Health System Pharmacy Iowa Pharmacy Association Maryland Society of Health-System Pharmacy Massachusetts Society of Health System Pharmacists Michigan Society of Health-system Pharmacists Mississippi Society of Health System Pharmacists **Missouri Society of Health-System Pharmacists** National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations New Mexico Society of Health System Pharmacists North Dakota Society of Health-System Pharmacists **Ohio Society of Health-System Pharmacists** Pennsylvania Society of Health System Pharmacists Society of Infectious Diseases Pharmacists South Carolina Society of Health Systems Pharmacy South Dakota Society of Health-System Pharmacists **Texas Society of Health System Pharmacists**