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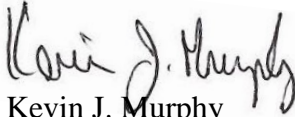
Mayor Edward J. Kennedy, Jr.  
and  
Members of the City Council

Reference: **10.1 10/24/17 C. Samaras** – Request City Council send letter of support to the Lowell Community Health Center regarding their request to Congress to pass the “Community Health Investment, Modernization and Excellence Act 2017” (CHIME).

Dear Mayor Kennedy and Members of the City Council:

In response to the motion by Councilor Samaras, the Manager’s Office has sent a letter of support for the Lowell Community Health Center to the United States Congress. Please see the attached copies of letters that were sent to Senators Warren, Tsongas and Markey. Please feel free to contact me if you have further questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

  
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October 24, 2017

The Honorable Elizabeth Warren  
United States Senate  
Russell, SRC-2  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Warren:

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United States Congress  
126 John Street  
Lowell, MA 01852

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United States Senate  
255 Dirksen Senate Office Building,  
Washington, DC 20510

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