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The Honorable Mike Crapo
United States Senate
219 Dirksen Senate Office Building
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The Honorable Ron Wyden
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Dear Chairman Crapo and Ranking Member Wyden:

On behalf of the undersigned national pharmacy organizations, we write to express our strong support for the nomination of Alex Adams, PharmD, MPH, as Assistant Secretary for Family Support at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Dr. Adams's extensive experience in public health administration, regulatory reform, and bipartisan leadership makes him uniquely qualified for this role.

Dr. Adams has demonstrated a lifelong commitment to improving the health and well-being of families and communities. As Director of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, he oversees the state's largest agency, managing critical programs such as Medicaid, Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP), child welfare, and public health services. His leadership has resulted in measurable improvements in foster care services, expanded healthcare access in rural areas, and more efficient government operations.

Prior to his current role, Dr. Adams served as the Administrator of Idaho's Division of Financial Management, where he led the Governor's budget strategy and spearheaded historic regulatory reform. His approach reduced unnecessary burdens on businesses while preserving public safety and improving service delivery.

Notably, as Executive Director of the Idaho Board of Pharmacy, Dr. Adams implemented groundbreaking pharmacy reforms that expanded patient access to care. By empowering pharmacists to prescribe medications for minor and preventative

conditions, Idaho became a national leader in pharmacy innovation. His efforts not only increased healthcare access in underserved areas but also served as a model for other states seeking to modernize their healthcare systems.

Dr. Adams's pragmatic leadership, coupled with his dedication to data-driven policymaking, earned him broad bipartisan support. His reforms consistently passed with unanimous or near-unanimous legislative backing, reflecting his ability to bring stakeholders together to solve complex challenges. His collaborative approach, respect for diverse perspectives, and results-oriented mindset will serve him well as Assistant Secretary for Family Support.

The pharmacy community is particularly proud of Dr. Adams's contributions to advancing pharmacy practice to improve public health. Recognized with the American Pharmacists Association's Hubert H. Humphrey Award for government service, he exemplifies the positive impact pharmacists can have in shaping policies that benefit patients and communities.

We are confident that Dr. Adams will bring the same dedication, expertise, and collaborative spirit to the national level. His leadership will strengthen the Administration for Children and Families, ensuring the delivery of effective programs that support the health and well-being of families across the country.

We respectfully urge you to support Dr. Adams's nomination and vote in favor of his confirmation.

Sincerely,

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