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SENT VIA EMAIL ONLY

Dear Mr. Farrugia and Mr. Koranne:

I am writing to you today to request an immediate emergency meeting of representatives from Minnesota Hospital Association member hospitals and Mayo Clinics to discuss and resolve issues of paramount importance to the nurses that are charged with caring for Covid-19 patients and ensuring the virus does not unnecessarily spread to our surrounding communities.

In nearly every hospital around the state, nurses are expressing severe alarm regarding their perceived hospital's unpreparedness. There are concerns regarding adequate protection against the virus' spread, hospitals' response plans, real plans to adequately staff hospitals, to provide needed education to staff, and transparency in communication of plans for the public and healthcare workers who provide needed care.

Given the severity of this crisis, we ask for an immediate phone call to discuss the details of a meeting (conference call, zoom etc.) with representatives of your association and ours that can be set within the next 5 days.

We look forward to working together to move beyond these barriers in order to focus on our joint mission to care for our community and best navigate this crisis.

Sincerely,

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