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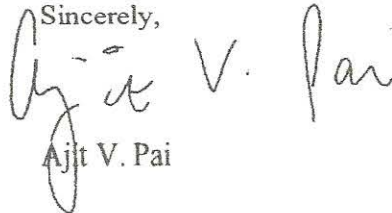
The Honorable Roger Wicker
United States Senate
555 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Wicker:

Thank you for your letter supporting the application of the University of Mississippi Medical Center for funding under the Federal Communications Commission's COVID-19 Telehealth Program, which is funded through a Congressional appropriation as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act. As we engage in social distancing and healthcare providers work tirelessly to care for those with the COVID-19 disease and to prevent the spread to others, telehealth is becoming more important by the day.

I am pleased to inform you that the Commission has awarded the University of Mississippi Medical Center, in Jackson, Mississippi, \$1,000,000 for connected devices, laptops, network equipment and upgrades, software licenses, and other telehealth equipment to help develop a telemedicine COVID-19 Triage Solution consisting of skilled medical, technical, and support staff using new technological capabilities to perform screenings and medical assessments, schedule testing appointments, and conduct outreach regarding COVID-19 testing results, as well as immediate expansion of non-COVID-19 telehealth services to meet both urgent and routine health needs. I appreciate your support of the University of Mississippi Medical Center's proposal for telehealth funding, and I look forward to seeing its positive impact in your state.

Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

Ajit V. Pai