The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC  20510

Re: Renewal of Determination of a Public Health Emergency

Dear Majority Leader McConnell:

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Sincerely,

[Signature]

Alex M. Azar II

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RENEWAL OF DETERMINATION THAT A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY EXISTS

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