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Dear Mr. Burke,

As president of the National Association of Counties (NACo), it is my pleasure to confirm your nomination as a member of the Health Steering Committee and offer my congratulations!

Committee membership at the national level is a serious commitment and responsibility, but it is also a rewarding experience. A great deal of NACo's strength is in our committees and your active participation reflects and reinforces that strength. The expertise and engagement of our steering committee members is a main reason why Congress and federal agencies often look to NACo for feedback on legislative policy decisions being made in Washington D.C. This nomination to a NACo steering committee also presents a great opportunity to share with and learn from your county colleagues.

As a member of the Health Steering Committee, it is important to stay informed of legislative and regulatory action relevant to your committee. Your NACo committee liaison is Brian Bowden. Brian will send regular email correspondence to committee members and you are responsible for reviewing the information supplied and responding accordingly.

As a member of a NACo steering committee, you are expected to participate in our monthly conference calls and attend both NACo's Legislative Conference and Annual Conference. Monthly conference calls are a great way to stay up to date on developments from Capitol Hill and provide a platform to discuss county issues with your colleagues across the nation. Please note the following dates and locations for the upcoming conferences:

- NACo's 2017 Legislative Conference takes place February 25-March 1 in Washington, D.C.
- NACo's 2016 Annual Conference takes place July 21-24 in Franklin County, Ohio

I also look forward to working with you the committees this year on my president initiative, "The Counties Matter Challenge: Brilliant Ideas at Work." Working with state associations and affiliates, this initiative will promote best practices that bolster our nation's ability to thrive amid ever-changing physical, social and economic conditions, and help identify and share examples of county leadership that result in improving residents' quality of life.

Again, congratulations on your nomination to the Health Steering Committee. This year promises to be an exciting one and I look forward to working closely with you to further the goals of our nation's counties.

Sincerely,

Bryan Desloge
President

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