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Kevin Sexton President and Chief Executive Officer Holy Cross Hospital 11801 Tech Road Silver Spring, MD 20904

Dear Mr. Sexton:

Congratulations on receiving the 2012 Catholic Business Person of the Year Award from the Catholic Business Network of Montgomery County (CBNMC). This award reflects the outstanding achievements that your leadership has brought to Holy Cross Hospital and to the State of Maryland.

The excellence and sustainability of Holy Cross Hospital (HC) are a hallmark of your work ethic and high standards, and we're proud that the Holy Cross will celebrate its 50th birthday in January. Your diligent management style has won the HC the designation of "Best Place to Work" by the Maryland Work Life Alliance every year since 1999, a year after you became CEO. In FY 2012, HC had the third most patient admissions in Maryland, and in October of 2012, it reached 100,000 visits to its three health centers for the uninsured since 2004. These achievements are no accident.

Your service to the State of Maryland also illustrates your dynamic business acumen — which helps us to continue to be a leader among states. In your two terms on the Health Services Cost Review Commission, you've helped to improve the quality of health care in our State and to maintain our status among the most innovative systems in the nation. Thank you for your instrumental role in initiating the Commission's quality programs for hospitals and for leading the effort to forge new territory in hospital Community Benefit reporting. In addition, we appreciate your diplomacy, coalition-building, and creativity — all of which makes you more than deserve the title of "Business Person of the Year."

As we forge ahead to continue our nation and our State's recovery and growth, we look forward to leveraging your expertise to achieve success.

Sincerely,

Governor