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Tom Betlach, Director
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Dear Mr. Betlach:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the AHCCCS request to extend contract YH12-0001 - Arizona Long Term Care System for the Elderly and Physically Disabled (ALTCS/EPD), for a one year beyond the five years ending September 30, 2016.

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan has reviewed the request and ADOA's response. We agree with the concerns around the uncertainty and impact surrounding the Arizona 1115 waiver renewal, new Medicaid Managed Care Regulations and Dual Special Needs Plans, and the potential negative impact to the ALTCS/EPD procurement, as it is currently scheduled for October 1, 2016.

In light of concerns, we are in full support of the request to extend the ALTCS/EPD contract for one year, to October 1, 2017. UnitedHealthcare Community Plan is prepared to support this extension and will continue to provide the highest quality and service to our members.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joe Gaudio', written over a white background.

Joe Gaudio
Plan President
UnitedHealthcare Community Plan

cc: Karen Saelens, Executive Director
Kelly Kreiselmeyer, LTC Compliance Officer