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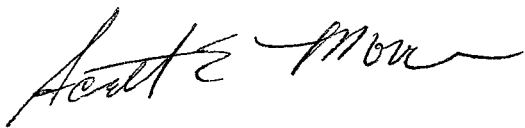
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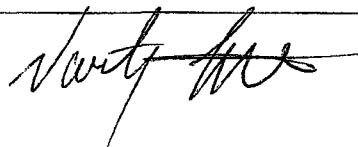
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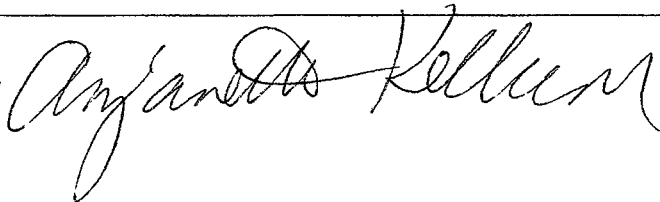
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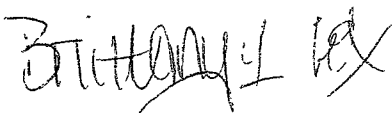
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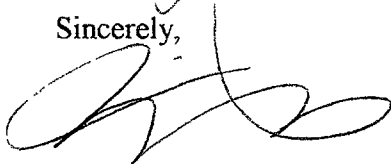
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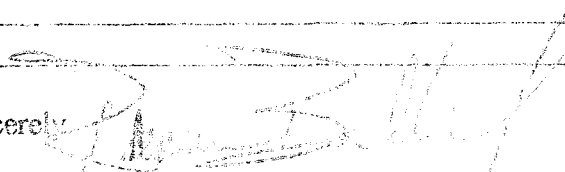
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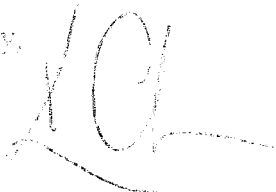
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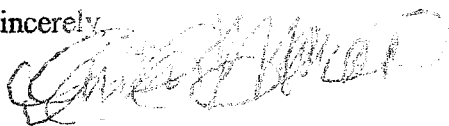
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Bureau of Community Program Leadership & Evaluation
Pennsylvania Department of Health
132 Kline Building, Suite A
Harrisburg, PA 17104-1579

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY
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Dear Janice Shaughnessy:


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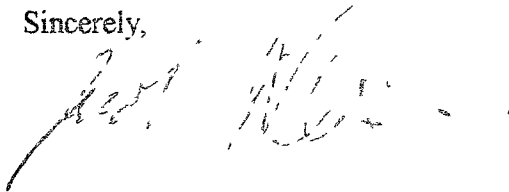
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