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June 21, 2024

Christopher D. Howard
Sharp Healthcare President & CEO
8695 Spectrum Center Blvd.
San Diego, CA 92123

Dear President Howard,

I am writing today to express my support for the healthcare workers at Sharp Metropolitan Campus in their efforts to join their fellow Sharp workers in the SEIU United Healthcare Workers West Union (SEIU-UHW).

I strongly support the right of every worker to organize and join a labor union to represent them by negotiating wages, benefits and working conditions with employers. Sharp Metropolitan Campus workers should also be free to form a union to represent them to negotiate with Sharp Healthcare.

Sharp Metropolitan Campus workers will soon get the opportunity to participate in an election to determine whether they will join the SEIU-UHW Union. It is my expectation that this election will be conducted freely in full compliance with all applicable state and federal labor laws, and that Sharp Healthcare will comply with both the letter and spirit of these laws in how it interacts with employees before, during and after the election.

When labor and management are able to work together in a partnership we see clear gains for all parties, and real solutions that can lead to better quality of care for patients and healthier communities overall. One example of this is the joint efforts by Sharp and SEIU-UHW to increase Medi-Cal funding levels so that our healthcare system has the money it needs to improve access, affordability, and quality.

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Sincerely,

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