

February 29, 2024

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Ryan Quattlebaum
President & CEO
AdventHealth North Pinellas Hospital

Cc: Agency for Health Care Administration

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Glenn Romig
Chief Financial Officer

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Chief Financial Officer
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K. Alicia Schulhof, FACHE
President

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Kindred Healthcare - Coastal Region
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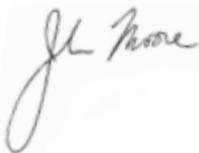
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President, Orlando Health Bayfront Hospital
Senior Vice President, Orlando Health

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Respectfully,



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CWO/Managing Director

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