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Honorable James T. Beall, Jr.  
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors  
County Government Center  
70 West Hedding Street  
East Wing, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
San Jose, California 95110

Dear Chairperson Beall:

Kaiser Permanente Santa Clara is pleased to inform you that the County Public Health Department's HIV/AIDS Testing and Counseling Initiative has been awarded \$20,000 to support establishing new HIV rapid testing sites in the community-based setting.

We applaud County's leadership to launch an aggressive HIV prevention initiative that supports enhanced testing and counseling services for targeted at-risk populations. Kaiser Permanente shares the County's vision that the countywide health awareness marketing and establishment of community based rapid HIV testing sites will not only curb the rise in the epidemic, but it will also significantly increase the vulnerable population's access to health education/counseling and testing services.

Kaiser Permanente Santa Clara looks forward to our partnership in collectively empowering our communities to own their health and to make healthy lifestyle choices.

Sincerely,

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Mary Ann Barnes  
CEO and Area Manager

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Bernadette Loftus, MD  
Physician in Chief

cc: County Supervisor Donald F. Gage, District One  
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