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Please see attached letter of support from Assemblymember Kalra regarding Item G.2 for tomorrow's Rules and Open Government Committee agenda. Thank you.

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City of San Jose
Rules and Open Government Committee
200 E. Santa Clara Street
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Subject: Item G.2: Assembly Bill 1400: Guaranteed Healthcare for All. (Carrasco)

Dear Chair Jones and Committee Members,

I would like to respectfully ask for your support for Councilmember Carrasco's memorandum to adopt a position of support for AB 1400 on guaranteed Health Care for All and the recommendation for this item to be agendized for the October 26th City Council Meeting.

I, alongside Assemblymembers Lee and Santiago, introduced AB 1400 because COVID-19 has only exacerbated the problems California has faced with its current for-profit healthcare system. We are paying more for a healthcare system that provides us less than what AB 1400 calls for. San Jose, especially our communities in East Side, have been hit hard by this pandemic and we are witnessing the failure of a system that ties healthcare to employment. AB 1400 would provide healthcare to all residents of California regardless of employment, age, sex, or immigration status. San Jose can be at the forefront of this positive change by standing in support of AB 1400.

While there have been equity issues regarding vaccination allotment through the state, the process for which Californians receive their vaccination shows that universal healthcare is not an impossibility, it only requires political willpower. Employment or insurance were not needed for Californians to get the necessary healthcare treatment they need, AB 1400 would ensure that this expands to all forms of healthcare. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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