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The Honorable Mike Kelly United States House of Representatives 1707 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Kelly:

The Health Coalition on Liability and Access wishes to express our strong support for Section 3 of the Essential Workforce Parity Act. We applaud you for your commitment to protecting healthcare professionals, and the facilities in which they practice, from the serious threat of COVID-19-related liability lawsuits.

The limited and targeted protection from liability provided by Section 3 will help ensure that healthcare professionals and facilities on the front lines of the coronavirus pandemic can focus on helping patients without the fear of getting drawn into unwarranted lawsuits. Your legislation will serve both patients and providers alike by reducing lawsuits that stem from workforce shortages, inadequate safety supplies, and changing guidance from federal, state, and local government officials to which our healthcare providers and facilities have been subject since the pandemic began.

Thank you for your leadership in support of healthcare professionals and facilities, and the patients they serve. We look forward to collaborating with you to ensure that Congress passes these critical liability protections.

Sincerely,

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