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The Honorable Donald J. Trump  
President of the United States  
1600 Pennsylvania, Ave. NW  
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Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of Consumers' Research, the nation's oldest consumer advocacy organization, it is my honor to present you with our new *Consumer Warning* focused on nonprofit hospital systems across the United States using taxpayer-sponsored resources to fund ideologically charged policies and programming.

This *Consumer Warning* provides a comprehensive assessment of how the following five (5) prominent nonprofit hospitals/health systems have leveraged numerous funding streams from the federal government and benefits from tax-exempt status to advance controversial political and social causes in direct opposition to the values of your administration:

1. Cleveland Clinic (Ohio)
2. Vanderbilt University Medical Center (Tennessee)
3. Henry Ford Health (Michigan)
4. Memorial Hermann Health System (Texas)
5. Johns Hopkins All Children's (Florida)

Instead of lowering costs and passing savings onto patients, these hospitals have spent considerable money, time, and manpower pursuing a partisan agenda pertaining to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI), radical gender ideology, and environmental activism.

A hallmark of your agenda for the nation has been the necessary eradication of toxic wokeness from the institutions that affect everyday American life. The electorate was moved by this promise during your historic campaign and delivered you an unmistakable mandate to accomplish it. Since your inauguration, you have done so courageously and with tremendous impact. Nonetheless, the disturbing findings outlined in this *Consumer Warning* reveal that many health systems appear to not be complying with your executive actions. With our research and data, you have a prime opportunity to further fulfill your popular mandate by scrutinizing the nation's woke hospitals and taking unprecedented action to remedy the crisis at hand.

Hospitals impact every American consumer of every background. Thus, consistently prioritizing patient care above everything else is essential for every hospital in America—its leadership, its

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medical professionals, its administrative staff, and every policy that guides them. Conversely, infusing a hospital system's everyday operations with progressive ideological goals only distracts from its core mission, inevitably compromising the quality of treatment, increasing costs, and putting consumers in serious physical and financial danger. Frankly, left unchecked, woke activism by hospitals will lead to needless human suffering.

When woke hospitals devote precious time, dollars, and workforce energy to satisfying the latest progressive orthodoxies, patients are unfairly and dangerously shortchanged. When such hospitals do so while enjoying tax-exempt status and federal support, U.S. taxpayers are made complicit in their radicalism and destruction. Such cases demand the government's attention.

According to the [U.S. Government Accountability Office](#), in order to possess tax-exempt status, a hospital "must be organized and operated to achieve a charitable purpose—the promotion of health for the benefit of the community." Of the [six factors](#) identified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that "demonstrate community benefit," none include political or social activism. However, the list *does* include a mandate to "Use surplus funds to improve facilities, equipment, and patient care." Using funds for other activities, such as woke programming for faculty and staff, is prohibited and a violation of IRS code.

The content of this *Consumer Warning* should provide your administration with more than enough justification for initiating a formal investigation into these federally supported hospitals' internal activities and a subsequent review of their tax-exempt privileges and the specific government funding streams which support them.

Thank you for your time and consideration, as well as your continued commitment to defending the American people without fear or apology.

Sincerely,

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United States Attorney General Pam Bondi  
Secretary of Health and Human Services Robert F. Kennedy

**Attachment:**  
Consumers' Research Consumer Warning: Woke Hospitals: Embracing Political Priorities Ahead of Patient Care

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