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January 13, 2010

The Honorable E. Benjamin Nelson  
United States Senate  
720 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-2706

Dear Senator Nelson:

The Tilden Community Hospital has been diligently working toward fulfilling the congressional mandate of Electronic Medical Records. For a small rural hospital in Northeast Nebraska it will greatly enhance the health care we provide, however it also creates a financial burden and the task of finding qualified technical support.

Our association with our regional hospital, Faith Regional, of Norfolk, Nebraska, is a great source of support. It enhances the quality health care at the Tilden Community Hospital which has been available for the past 150 years,

We will benefit greatly from our continued association with Faith Regional. With the additional \$2 million federal funding requested, we would be networked with them and have connection capabilities to their EMR system. This capability for Northeast Nebraska would greatly benefit us and allow us to improve our compassionate, quality health care to area residents.

Please give this thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Arlene L. Hofmann".

Arlene L. Hofmann, Chairperson  
Tilden Community Hospital  
Tilden, NE 68781