

January 13, 2010

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

Dear Senator Nelson,

Avera St. Anthony's Hospital in O'Neill, Nebraska is one of the eleven rural community hospitals and clinics included in the scope of the proposal being advanced by Faith Regional Health Services (FRHS) to provide networked equipment that will connect our facility to the FRHS Electronic Medical Record (EMR) system.

We urge your support of the requested federal appropriation funding proposal. The approval of this proposal will benefit your constituents who reside in this largely rural northeast region of Nebraska through increased accessibility of services and the enhancement of quality of health care provided in convenient locations close to home.

Sincerely,



Dian Edwards, Chairperson  
Avera St. Anthony's Hospital Board of Directors