

FOR DELIVERY VIA EMAIL

April 22, 2009

Mid-City Community Advocacy Network Coordinating Council
4275 El Cajon Boulevard, Suite 101
San Diego, CA 92105

RE: The California Endowment Building Healthy Communities Initiative

Dear Members of the Network Coordinating Council:

On behalf of Rady Children's Hospital – San Diego, I am pleased to send a letter of support for the planning process of The California Endowment Building Healthy Communities Initiative.

We understand that the purpose of the planning process is to engage community residents, leaders of community-based organizations and public agencies and other key stakeholders in development of a plan toward achievement of the 10 outcomes as indicated in The California Endowment's initiative. Through the planning period, June 1, 2009 through February 26, 2010, we anticipate offering support of Rady Children's Center for Healthier Communities staff. Cheri Fidler, Director of the Center for Healthier Communities stands ready to coordinate staff and resources. We will make space available at the Wellness Center to host planning meetings/events.

Rady Children's has a long history of providing community health analysis and planning, launching strategic initiatives, and working collaboratively in diverse communities including City Heights. We look forward to bringing this knowledge to the Building Healthy Communities Initiative.

Sincerely,



David B. Gillig
Senior Vice President
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Enclosure

c: Kathleen A. Sellick
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Cheri Fidler

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