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F. Patrick Robinson, PhD, RN, ACRN, CNE, FAAN Provost and Sr. Vice President of Academic Affairs 2510 W. Dunlap Avenue Suite 290 Phoenix, AZ 85021

Dear Dr. Robinson,

On behalf of Watertown Regional Medical Center, I am pleased to offer support to Arizona College of Nursing in its application to the Wisconsin Board of Nursing to begin a pre-licensure Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program in the Greater Milwaukee area.

Watertown Regional Medical Center recognizes the pivotal role that nurses contribute in the delivery of patient care, improved outcomes, and safety. With an aging population and workforce, the need to expand nurse capacity is essential now and in the years to come. An additional BSN program will assist in addressing the growing need for qualified nurses at our facilities and in the Greater Milwaukee area. As such, Watertown Regional Medical Center has partnerships with academic affiliates to provide clinical experience for students. We welcome the opportunity to work with Arizona College of Nursing in training students to meet the healthcare needs of our facilities and the region.

Sincerely,

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