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The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Senate Minority Leader  
Russell Senate Office Building, 317  
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Re: **Community Letter in Support of the Nomination of Dr. Vivek Murthy for Surgeon General of the United States**

Dear Leader Reid and Minority Leader McConnell:

We support Dr. Vivek Murthy as the next Surgeon General of the United States. Dr. Murthy is well-qualified, and committed to making prevention a priority and to ensuring a healthier future for our nation. Please vote to swiftly confirm Dr. Murthy so that once again, our nation will have a Surgeon General.

Sincerely,

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