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Teresa Deaton-Reese, Procurement Consultant  
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Procurement Division  
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Dear Ms. Deaton-Reese:

I am writing this letter with great interest to express my support for Hamilton Center Inc.'s Request for Services submission (REF 24-77045), which pertains to the statewide expansion of the Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) model. Hamilton Center is uniquely positioned to be a crucial part of the State's application for this demonstration program.

I am well aware that the CCBHC model will play a pivotal role in expanding the behavioral health system in Indiana, with a strong focus on crisis services, alignment with the 988 initiative, integration with primary care, and enhancing accessibility for all Hoosiers, especially those who are most vulnerable.

Hamilton Center has been an outstanding community partner in central and west-central Indiana since 1971. Their deep integration within the community has fostered robust collaboration and provided access to high-quality care for over 13,000 consumers across a ten-county region. More recently, the organization has expanded its services to include round-the-clock crisis support, including mobile crisis teams, achieved recognition as a Federally Qualified Health Center Look-Alike, established three certified opioid treatment programs, and has been selected by SAMHSA to operate as a CCBHC since 2020.

Our organization has the privilege of working closely with Hamilton Center to provide students with access to school-based mental health services. Through our partnership, they have assigned a dedicated Case Manager to each school. Additionally, our students have access to therapists either within our offices or directly at their schools.

It is with great enthusiasm that I endorse Hamilton Center's aspiration to be an integral part of the State's demonstration program. Our organization is fully committed to becoming a primary referral source for Hamilton Center's CCBHC, or even potentially serving as a Designated Collaborating Organization (DCO).

Should you need further information, please contact me.

With appreciation,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Megan Kirk". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Megan" and last name "Kirk" clearly distinguishable.

Dr. Megan Kirk  
Behavioral Health & Wellness Coordinator