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Dear Mr. Pate,

I am pleased to submit this Exchange Declaration of Intent Letter on behalf of the State of New Jersey. This letter is to inform you of New Jersey's intent to establish a State Based Health Benefit Exchange to be operational for plan year 2021.

I hereby designate the New Jersey Commissioner of Banking and Insurance, Marlene Caride, as the State's point of contact and authorize the Commissioner to bind the state and attest to complying with the requirements of being a State Based Exchange. Additionally, the Commissioner is authorized to sign the Blueprint Application which must be approved by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). It is further acknowledged that HHS and the State may agree to amend this Declaration of Intent Letter to include additional information necessary to establish the Exchange.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to working with you on a successful transition to a State Based Exchange.

Sincerely,