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Ms. Yolanda Arias, Chair
Institutional Review Board
Economic Roundtable
315 West Ninth Street, Suite 1209
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Dear Ms. Arias:

I am writing to request approval of the procedures for protection of human subjects in a pilot project that will screen and identify high-need homeless individuals in clinics, hospitals and jails for placement in permanent supportive housing. The attached application explains this project and requests a full IRB review because the project entails working with identifiable medical data for a vulnerable population.

No funds will be disbursed for research activities until the IRB has approved this project. We propose to submit reports on protection of human subjects, data security and project design to the IRB annually or more often if requested. Should there be any study-related events that endanger human subjects or compromise data security, these events will be reported immediately to the IRB as well as any organizations whose data is affected.

The attachments include:

1. Request for IRB Approval
2. Project flow chart
3. Informed consent document prepared and approved by County Counsel
4. Screening Questionnaire
5. Funding contract with the Corporation for Supportive Housing

I am available to answer any questions you may have and to provide any further information that may be needed. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Daniel Flaming".

Daniel Flaming, Ph.D.
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