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To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Greater Lafayette Chamber of Commerce, I express the organization's strong endorsement of the Veteran's Action Coalition of Southwest Louisiana petition to establish a veteran administration hospital facility and super clinic in this community.

Lafayette is the hub for healthcare for the 600,000 residents of the Acadiana region. A VA hospital, or its equivalent, would only enhance the center for health related services. With the large number of military veterans in this area it is logical that such a facility would be well placed.

Additionally, the hospital administrators in Lafayette with whom I was able to visit with on this matter are steadfast in their belief that a new VA facility in the parish would be a benefit to everyone.

The Chamber joins in the worthwhile effort of the local veterans to have this documented need met in a expeditious fashion.

I urge you to give this petition your most serious consideration and urge you to act favorably.

If there is anything more that the Chamber of Commerce can do to assist you in making such an important decision please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Guidry". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Rob Guidry
President/CEO