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VETERANS
FOR AMERICA

October 20, 2015

Nancy M. Schlichting
Chairperson
Commission on Care
1575 I Street, NW
Washington, DC 20005

Chairperson Schlichting,

On behalf of Concerned Veterans for America (CVA), we appreciate the opportunity to provide input on the Independent Assessment, as well as survey findings regarding timeliness and access to VA care since VA's implementation of the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014.

CVA believes that the Independent Assessment is further validation of the recommendations we provided in our 'Fixing Veterans Health Care' taskforce report, which was released in February of this year. Accompanied with this letter you will find areas of the Independent Assessment that support our recommendations, as we believe the plan laid out in our report is the most common-sense way forward to make the Veterans Health Administration a truly 21st-century organization.

Additionally, we have provided our latest polling of veterans regarding their health care. This poll, conducted by the Tarrance Group from September 29th - October 8th 2015, is a 1,000 veteran survey from across the country with a margin of error of +/- 3.1%.

We look forward to the recommendations of the Commission on Care in February. Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on this important commission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Pete Hegseth'.

Pete Hegseth
CEO, Concerned Veterans for America

