



June 3, 2023

Karen Love  
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Dear Ms. Love:

As a collaborative partner in the community of Nashville, we wish to write this letter of support for your grant application. Heart & Soul Hospice offers needed end of life services to individuals who might not otherwise receive such care in Davidson County and are planning to submit a grant that will allow expansion of their services to Wilson, Williamson, and Sumner Counties. Your collaboration with Meharry Medical College has allowed our medical students to fulfill the mission of the College to serve the underserved and to provide community services where needed. Our students have provided volunteer community service in your organization for more than two years and they speak enthusiastically about the difference they are making in the patient's lives and in their own. They state it has improved their empathy, compassion as well as their communication skills. The relationship has given our future doctors a firsthand look at what quality care at the end of life looks like, which can only serve them well in their future endeavors.

Thank you for sharing your organization's expansion plans. As a community organization that includes our students to assist and advance community resources emulating Meharry's mission in the community is laudable. I am pleased to provide this letter of support and trust that your application will be approved.

As you continue with the application process, please know that the College is behind your endeavor and will assist you as we are able.

Best Regards,

Digna Forbes, MD  
Interim Dean of the SOM