NYU Langone Health is one of the nation’s premier academic medical centers. Our trifold mission to serve, teach, and discover is achieved daily through an integrated academic culture devoted to excellence in patient care, education, and research. We have six inpatient locations and over 300 care centers and research facilities, providing care to 8.2 million patients annually. Our services earned us a ranking of No. 8 in the country on U.S. News & World Report’s Best Hospitals; and our NYU Grossman School of Medicine is ranked No. 2 in the nation for research on the 2022 U.S. News & World Report “Best Graduate Schools.”

At NYU Langone Health, ensuring a healthy environment is central to our mission. Our sustainability program focuses on reducing our impact on the environment, increasing resiliency within our communities, and advocating for sustainability and climate leadership. In 2019, we became the first and only New York City-based member of the U.S. Health Care Climate Council, a national leadership body of health systems committed to protect their patients and employees from health impacts of climate change. This commitment, along with our carbon reduction goals within the New York City Carbon Challenge, align with the mission of the Action Collaborative on Decarbonizing the U.S. Health Sector (Climate Collaborative).

As a Network Organization to this initiative, we recognize the crucial links between our community’s wellbeing and a sustainable environment. Climate change represents a significant threat to public health and we are committed to partnering with other industry leaders and governmental agencies to break down barriers and find innovative ways to reduce our impact and remain resilient in response to an increasingly unstable climate.
We, as environmental stewards, support this collaborative movement and will continue to reduce our climate footprint with a positive and regenerative purpose. Our energy management program continues push for scalable solutions in our operations and employs best in class infrastructure that ensures enterprise efficiency and resiliency. Through our work with the Climate Council, we use our collective voice and purchasing power to move policy and markets to drive the transformation to climate-smart healthcare. To support both our operational efficiency and improve community health, we continue to support sustainable transportation programs by upgrading our fleet, increasing bicycle amenities to our staff, patients and community, and installing public infrastructure for electric vehicles.

We are proud to share our experiences to support the Climate Collaborative’s mission to decarbonize health care and to strengthen the industry’s efforts to address climate change, and protect human health, well-being and equity.

Sincerely,

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