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To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the Guidance Center of Lea County, I am writing to express our full support for Eddy County to serve as the accountable entity for our behavioral health region under the SB3 Behavioral Health Reform and Investment Act.

As the CEO of a leading behavioral health provider in southeastern New Mexico, I recognize the importance of a coordinated, community-driven approach to behavioral health planning and service delivery. Eddy County has demonstrated the capacity, leadership, and commitment necessary to guide our region through the planning and implementation phases outlined in SB3.

Their infrastructure, collaborative relationships with regional stakeholders, and history of supporting behavioral health initiatives make them well-positioned to fulfill the responsibilities of the accountable entity. We are confident that Eddy County will represent the interests of all counties in our region—including Lea County—with transparency, equity, and a shared vision for improving behavioral health outcomes.

We look forward to working closely with Eddy County and other regional partners to develop a strategic, inclusive, and sustainable behavioral health plan that reflects the needs and strengths of our communities.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if further information or support is needed.

Sincerely, Nichole Chambers Chief Executive Officer Guidance Center of Lea County