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Dear Representative Clampitt:

On behalf of the coalition members and partners of the North Carolina Alliance for Health (NCAH), I write to welcome you to the 2021 legislative session.

NCAH is an independent, statewide coalition of organizations and individuals that convenes, mobilizes, supports, and empowers partners to advance equitable policies that reduce health disparities, prevent chronic disease, and promote health. NCAH was founded in 2002 and now includes more than 60 statewide organizational members and partners.

NCAH has a strong history of supporting evidence-based policy change interventions to prevent and reduce tobacco use, increase access to healthy foods, and promote active living. For the 2021 legislative session, NCAH has prioritized the following policy change efforts:

- Increase funding for tobacco use prevention and cessation programs and services
- Amend North Carolina's tobacco youth access law to create parity with federal law
- Increase the availability of healthy foods in our communities through funding for school nutrition programs and food banks
- Increase opportunities for North Carolinians to live active lives by addressing transportation funding mechanisms that limit funding opportunities for bicycle and pedestrian projects

During the weeks ahead I, along with our contract lobbyists Harry Kaplan and Jeff Barnhart, look forward to working with you on efforts that will reduce health disparities, prevent chronic disease, and promote health. If you have further questions about NCAH or our priorities, please feel free to contact me at morgan@ncallianceforhealth.org or 919.308.8800.

Warmly,
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