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Dear New York State Office of the Attorney General:

Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry is a partner agency of the Food Bank of the Southern Tier. We serve the food insecure residents of Binghamton. I am writing to strongly encourage you to approve the sale of the assets of Fidelis Care to Centene Corporation, resulting in the creation of the Mother Cabrini Health Foundation.

In the City of Binghamton, 34% of our residents live below the poverty level. In female headed households with two or more children, a shocking 75% live below the poverty level! Through the new foundation, more than \$150M a year will be made available to local organizations like ours, enabling us to expand our capabilities to provide critical services to needy individuals and families.

Addressing food insecurity and poverty will make a major difference here in the Southern Tier, where one out of seven community members is at risk of going hungry.

As you know, the Department of Health, the Department of Financial Services and federal regulators have already approved the transaction. With your approval, the groundbreaking Mother Cabrini Health Foundation will transform the lives of New York's poor, neediest and most vulnerable.

We appreciate your consideration on this deeply important matter.

Sincerely,

Carol Breehey
Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry