



STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC HEALTH

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State Health Officer

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Mr. Paul Tubiana
PO Box 21832
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Dear Mr. Tubiana:

Governor Riley has sent me a copy of your letter expressing your concerns on the diagnosis and appropriate medical response to diabetes in our country.

We are aware of the growing problem of diabetes and the burden of this disease on families in Alabama. We are working with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the medical community in Alabama to improve recognition and treatment. Your concern and research is appreciated. We will continue to work with the medical community to provide the best information and service to the public. You have highlighted valid points in your research.

Best wishes in your efforts to inform political leaders and the medical community of the benefits of addressing diabetes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Williamson", written over a horizontal line.

Donald E. Williamson, M.D.
State Health Officer

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