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To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter to express my concern over the recent decision by administrators to ban certain medications from being used to treat COVID-19 at Sentara Healthcare facilities.

I firmly believe hospitalized patients have every right to determine their course of treatment with their attending physicians and that patients should have access to the full array of safe and proven treatments for COVID-19, including those that are part of the [MATH+ Protocol](#).

Furthermore, I support the sanctity of the doctor-patient relationship and believe skilled doctors should be able to make decisions based on their medical training and frontline experience to treat critical patients.

This pandemic has placed enormous strains on our healthcare system. As we work towards a day when we have learned to live with COVID-19, we must allow our healthcare specialists and frontline doctors to do everything within their power to treat their patients, while fulfilling their Hippocratic oath.

Sincerely,