Spokane Washington Hospital Company, LLC and Spokane Valley Washington Hospital Company, LLC 4000 Meridian Blvd Franklin, TN 37067

[date]

[patient name] [patient address]

[account number(s)]

[total amount]

Re: NOTICE OF DISCHARGE AND RELEASE OF DEBT

Dear [patient]:

We are sending this letter because you received treatment at Deaconess Hospital or Valley Hospital, or both, between November 1, 2008 and June 30, 2017. You incurred a debt related to your treatment. This letter is your notice that because of a settlement in the lawsuit between the former hospital owners and Empire Health Foundation, on September 26, 2019 the hospitals discharged and released the account(s) and debt referenced above.

What this Means

You no longer owe the debt listed above. Your balance for these accounts is now \$0. There is nothing further you need to do in order to secure this release and discharge of debt.

This letter serves as the full release and discharge of the accounts and amounts referenced above. The discharge and release is effective as of the date listed on this letter.

Other Important Information

Not all debts are part of this settlement. This discharge and release only applies to the account(s) listed above. You may have other debts from the hospitals between November 1, 2008 and June 30, 2017.

Specifically, the current owner of the hospitals – Multicare Health System – bought certain patient accounts when it purchased the hospitals in 2017. You also may have other debts you owe Multicare for services received before or after June 30, 2017 at these hospitals.

Available Assistance

Empire Health Foundation has established a resource for everyone receiving this letter who may have questions regarding its contents. If you have any questions regarding this letter or the discharge of your debt, please visit <u>http://www.symslaw.com/empire-chs-settlement</u> or call Northwest Justice Project at 1-844-787-8822.