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GOVERNOR
STATE OF OHIO

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Dear Telehealth Video Resource Meeting Attendees:

On behalf of the State of Ohio, I am honored to host this esteemed group of international experts on videoconferencing and health care to provide recommendations aimed at the development of a world-class telehealth center located in Ohio.

I appreciate your support of Ohio's efforts to promote the far-reaching applications of broadband through a Telehealth Video Resource Center and to further expand our role as a provider of health care and education to patients and physicians around the world.

We also are delighted to have the nationally recognized technological expertise of the Ohio Supercomputer Center (OSC) as a technical resource for many health-related videoconferencing programs. Some of you have participated in Road Trauma conferences, live orthopedic surgeries, medical education sessions and numerous activities supported by the World Bank and facilitated by OSC.

In addition to OSC's efforts, our thanks are also extended to Internet2 and the World Bank for their hard work in promoting affordable, high-quality, and easy-to-use advanced networking in the international health community.

I look forward to reviewing your recommendations for developing a self-sustaining, world-class telehealth resource center that will have worldwide impact.

Again, we welcome you to Ohio. Our door is always open to you and your colleagues to collaborate with us in striving for a healthier, better-informed world.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ted Strickland".

Ted Strickland
Governor