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Mr. Mike Sicilia
Chief Executive Officer
Oracle Corporation
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Dear Mr. Sicilia:

I write regarding Oracle's decision to decline the invitation to testify before the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on September 2, 2026, about the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Electronic Health Record Modernization (EHRM) program. Oracle's refusal to appear before Congress and publicly answer questions about its role in a major VA program funded with tens of billions of taxpayer dollars is unacceptable to veterans and the American people. Congress has a responsibility to conduct real meaningful oversight of this program, and Oracle has a responsibility to answer for its performance before the Committee and the American public.

The Committee sent Oracle an invitation to testify at the September 2, 2026, hearing on August 20. Oracle accepted the invitation to testify on August 26 but withdrew the next day citing panel timing and witness travel concerns. In its withdrawal email correspondence, Oracle indicated it would submit a statement for the record for the hearing in lieu of providing live testimony and suggested it would answer the Committee's questions in a roundtable setting. Simply declining a congressional request to testify without prior discussion is not appropriate or acceptable, nor are the stated reasons for Ms. Verma's sudden unavailability.

A statement for the record or participation in a closed-door, private roundtable is not a proper substitute for congressional oversight conducted in a formal hearing that is open to the public. Considering the recent announcement that the VA-Oracle EHRM contract ceiling would increase by over \$17 billion to over \$27 billion, members of this Committee must have the opportunity to examine and question the circumstances that led to this increase and assess Oracle's ability to perform on the contract.

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I ask that you confirm a witness to testify before the Committee by close of business on Monday, August 31, 2026. While we welcome Ms. Verma's participation, other equivalent Oracle officials have testified before this Committee on numerous occasions in the past and would be acceptable representatives at the hearing on September 2. I look forward to your prompt response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Mark Takano". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mark" and last name "Takano" clearly distinguishable.

Mark Takano
Ranking Member

CC: The Honorable Mike Bost, Chairman
Mr. Clay Magouryk, CEO, Oracle Corporation