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February 21, 2013
Dr. Joshua Sharfstein
Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene
201 West Preston Street
Baltimore, MD 21201
Dear Dr. Sharfstein,

As a member of the Maryland General Assembly, I am particularly distressed to learn of the death of a young woman, a patient of Dr. Carhart.

I have known of this clinic for quite some time and have learned of and have been provided with documentation indicating significant code violations and repeated risks to young women seeking help with reproductive care.

I am asking that the agency do a complete and transparent investigation of the code infringements in this clinic and insist that Dr. Carhart be held accountable for the death of this young woman.

I believe that it is imperative to get to the facts in this matter and that those finds be made available to the General Assembly.

Please feel free to contact me at any time with questions or updates regarding this matter.

Thank you so much for your swift attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Delegate Kathy Afzali

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