



April 25, 2016

Commissioner Dave Jones California Department of Insurance c/o Kayte Fisher 300 Capitol Mall, Suite 1600 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Proposed Merger of Humana Inc. Into AETNA Inc.

**Dear Commissioner Jones:** 

The *Sacramento Black Chamber of Commerce* which represents the interest of over 50,000 African American businesses throughout California is pleased to *support the merger of Humana Inc. into AETNA Inc.* 

AETNA has been a strong partner in California, offering health insurance coverage to small business owners designed to meet the needs of individual businesses. AETNA is also committed to health care equity for communities of color with ongoing initiatives to improve the quality of health care in African American communities and to address health disparities. In addition, Aetna Better Health, Aetna's national Medicaid subsidiary is in the process of pursing regulatory approval to participate in the Medi-Cal managed care program in Sacramento County.

As a result of Aetna's demonstrated commitment to small and micro-businesses, Aetna's commitment for health care equality in communities of color and Aetna's commitment to serving the needs of the low-income community, the California Black Chamber of Commerce is pleased to support the merger of Humana, Inc. into Aetna. If you have any questions regarding our support, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Cordially,

Aubry Stone, President

California Black Chamber of Commerce