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THE WHITE HOUSE

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MEMORANDUM FOR: KARINE JEAN-PIERRE  
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND  
WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY

FROM: KEVIN C. O'CONNOR, D.O., FAAFP  
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SUBJECT: President Biden Screened "Positive" for SARS-CoV-2

This morning, as part of our routine screening program for the President, the SARS-CoV-2 virus was detected by antigen testing. This result was subsequently confirmed via Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) testing.

On questioning, President Biden is currently experiencing mild symptoms, mostly rhinorrhea (or "runny nose") and fatigue, with an occasional dry cough, which started yesterday evening. Given that he meets U.S Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) criteria for PAXLOVID, I have recommended initiating such treatment.

The President is fully vaccinated and twice-boosted, so I anticipate that he will respond favorably, as most maximally protected patients do. Early use of PAXLOVID in this case provides additional protection against severe disease. He will isolate in accordance with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendations. I will keep your office updated with any changes in his condition or treatment plan.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin C. O'Connor".

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