



Office of the Mayor

Tom Bates
Mayor

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Dr. Joel Kreisberg
Executive Director
Teleosis Institute
1521B 5th Street
Berkeley, CA 94710

RE: Pharmaceutical Waste Reduction - *Green Pharmacy Program*

Dear Dr. Kreisberg,

I would like to express my support of The Teleosis Institute's *Green Pharmacy Program*. This program is a practical and necessary way to encourage community participation in protecting the local environment and public health.

The City of Berkeley is committed to protecting the environment and the health of our residents. We have recently mobilized resources to start innovative and effective programs to limit waste and prevent environmental degradation by reducing greenhouse gasses and promoting recycling. We recognize the need for innovative, effective programs that provide citizens an alternative to traditional waste disposal methods, resulting in a cleaner, safer community. The *Green Pharmacy Program* is consistent with the City's agenda and commitment to protect the environment by reducing landfill waste and potential water pollution. We are pleased to have you join our efforts.

I appreciate and share your passion for building a green and environmentally sustainable community. Your program and commitment to zero waste is an asset to the people of Berkeley and therefore I extend my endorsement of the *Green Pharmacy Program* and I look forward to its growing success.

Sincerely,

Tom Bates

