Vaughan Gething AC/AM Y Gweinidog lechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol Minister for Health and Social Services



Ein cyf/Our ref VG/02766/20

Janet Finch-Saunders AM Chair, Petitions Committee

Government.Committee.Business@gov.wales

5 May 2020

Dear Janet,

Thank you for your letter of 17 April seeking my views on the issues raised to fund funeral costs for all NHS staff who die from or with COVID-19.

I announced on 27 April the Welsh Government had established a special scheme that provided financial support of £60,000 to eligible beneficiaries of frontline staff, particularly those working in the NHS and Social Care as a result of being affected by COVID-19.

Our frontline workers are being asked to go above and beyond to deliver care and services for patients and individuals and this scheme goes some way to offer greater peace of mind and alleviate some financial hardship arising as a result of the loss of their loved ones.

Yours sincerely,

Vaughan Gething AC/AM

Y Gweinidog lechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol Minister for Health and Social Services

Canolfan Cyswllt Cyntaf / First Point of Contact Centre: 0300 0604400

<u>Gohebiaeth.Vaughan.Gething@llyw.cymru</u> Correspondence.Vaughan.Gething@gov.wales

Bae Caerdydd • Cardiff Bay Caerdydd • Cardiff CF99 1NA

Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb gohebiaeth a dderbynnir yn Gymraeg yn Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.