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Dr. Kevin Kavanagh
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Dear Kevin:

I recently read your article in the *Lexington Herald-Leader* regarding the ever increasing problem of MRSA infections. Let me begin by telling you that I was very impressed.

There is no disputing the fact that the outbreaks of MRSA and MDRO infections are steadily on the rise, not only in Kentucky but all throughout the country. This can no longer be ignored. I applaud you on bringing people's attention to this very critical issue. It is doctors like you, who can truly help in the control and prevention of these terrible diseases, and it is a necessity to make people aware of these infections.

I truly appreciate all of your hard work in the Commonwealth, and I admire your passion and commitment to the health care of Kentucky. I again want to congratulate you on this very impressive article in the *Herald-Leader*. Please stay in touch.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mitch McConnell", written over a faint, illegible stamp.

MITCH McCONNELL
UNITED STATES SENATOR

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