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Ms. Courtney R. Avery  
Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson; Second Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62761

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**RE: Project No. 10-090, Centegra Hospital-Huntley**

Dear Ms. Avery:

I am writing to give my full support for a new hospital in Huntley. According to the 2008 Census, Huntley's population grew at an annual rate of 19.1% between 2000 and 2008, while McHenry County as a whole grew at an annual rate of 2.57% and Illinois grew at a mere 0.48%. As Huntley continues to grow, so too does our need for a full-service hospital.

Centegra is an outstanding community partner with a strong commitment to our Village. In 2005, the health system purchased 110 acres of land in Huntley and then brought needed outpatient services and a state-of-the-art Immediate Care Center to our community shortly afterwards. Now Huntley and southern McHenry County need a hospital, and Centegra is just the partner to deliver it. The timing is right, and the proposed location is ideal.

This new hospital would also bring more than healthcare to Huntley. It would bring to the area strong tax revenues, as well as hundreds of jobs, both during construction and once the hospital is operational. This would have a tremendous economic impact on our Village.

As you move forward with your evaluation, know that I strongly support Centegra's mission to bring needed hospital beds to southern McHenry County. I urge approval of Centegra Hospital – Huntley, Project No. 10-090.

Sincerely,

Barb Read  
Management Assistant