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HEALTH FACILITIES &
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Ms. Dale Galassie
Chairman
Illinois Health Facilities Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Northwestern Memorial Hospital Outpatient Care Pavilion
Project No. 11-107 (the "Project")

Dear Chairman Galassie:

I want to express my support for the Northwestern Memorial Hospital's permit application for a new Outpatient Care Pavilion on its campus. Northwestern Memorial Hospital, and this Project, is located in my Senate District. I am well aware of the care Northwestern Memorial Hospital provides in my district and the benefits that this Project will bring to the area.

The new Outpatient Care Project will provide much needed space for physician offices for patients seeking care from physicians affiliated with Northwestern Memorial. Patients and physicians alike desire the convenience and efficiencies of receiving their medical care in a centralized location near the hospital.

Not only will this Project benefit the physicians and patients in the area, the jobs this Project provides will benefit the community as a whole. I understand that the Project will create close to 700 construction jobs and between 700 and 750 net new permanent health care jobs when fully occupied. I am particularly enthused knowing that these good construction jobs will reflect the citizens of the area that I serve. Northwestern Memorial Hospital has historically not only met, but exceeded Minority and Business Enterprise guidelines on their projects. I have been assured that they will maintain their commitment on this Project as well.

Last year Northwestern Memorial Hospital provided free or discounted charity care to nearly 8,000 individuals from my district alone. Additionally they provided care to over 4,000 Medicaid patients from my district. I expect that Northwestern Memorial will continue to provide such care to those in Chicago and beyond.

Northwestern Memorial Hospital has worked hard to integrate this Project into their community to be a good neighbor. I am pleased to offer my support

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Christie".

cc: Rob Christie
Ralph Weber

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Mr. Dale Galassie, Chairman
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
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Re: Northwestern Memorial Hospital
Proposed Outpatient Care Pavilion

Dear Chairman Galassie:

I am writing in support of NMH's plan to construct a state-of-the-art medical office building with hospital-based diagnostic and treatment services.

I serve as a member of the Board of Directors of Lawson House YMCA, 30 W. Chicago Avenue. Lawson House is home to over 580 formerly homeless. For over 30 years, Northwestern Memorial Hospital has been a partner with Lawson House, where NMH operates several outpatient psychiatry programs, including emergency housing and a satellite mental health clinic. Lawson House is also the location of the James and Catherine Denny Primary Care Clinic, started by NMH, providing free care to residents of Lawson House and other area Y's. Patients requiring specialty care often receive follow-up at NMH.

The new Outpatient Care Pavilion will provide capacity for NMH physicians to meet the health care needs of all patients in the community, including the disadvantaged residents of Lawson House. Please grant Certificate of Need approval to this worthy project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ken Dunkin".

Ken Dunkin
State Representative, 5th District

Cc: Rob Christie, Ralph Weber