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Michael

Attached you will find a letter of support from the Chicago Southland Chamber of Commerce for Fresenius Medical Care's planned dialysis center in Oak Forest, Illinois.

Thanks
Patrice

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May 16, 2012

Michael Constantino
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Fresenius Medical Care Oak Forest (No. 12-012)

Dear Mr. Constantino,

I am writing to let you know that Fresenius Medical Care's planned dialysis center in Oak Forest would be a welcome addition to Chicago's south suburbs, both for residents and the local businesses community.

The Chicago Southland Chamber of Commerce represents employers in 85 municipalities across the region, including Oak Forest. Our mission is to make the Southland a better place to live and work by attracting and supporting businesses of diverse size and industry.

Fresenius Medical Care has a reputation as an excellent corporate citizen, and we would welcome its dialysis facility in Oak Forest. We also believe its location on 159th Street, near other medical service providers such as the Notre Dame Family Center and the Physicians Cooperative of Oak Forest, is well chosen and would complement existing services for local residents.

We know the health care industry is of growing importance as our population ages, especially in the south suburbs, where medical care is not always easily accessible. The Chicago Southland Chamber is looking to work with more companies like Fresenius to bolster medical care in our region.

On behalf of the Chicago Southland Chamber I encourage you to approve this Certificate of Need application for Fresenius Medical Care to open its Oak Forest dialysis clinic.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hinderliter".

David Hinderliter
President
Southland Chamber of Commerce