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Good Afternoon Mike,

Please find the attached PDF copy of a letter written in support of the U.S. Renal Care Villa Park Dialysis certificate of need application, project number 12-026.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments.

Thanks,

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Mr. Dale Galassie
Chairman
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson, Second Floor
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Re: U.S. Renal Care Villa Park Application

Dear Chairman Galassie,

Thank you for the opportunity to support U.S. Renal Care's application for a dialysis facility in Villa Park. As the Administrator of Elmhurst Extended Care Center, I recognize that there is a need for this kind of outpatient care in our community, particularly among our residents when they leave our facility.

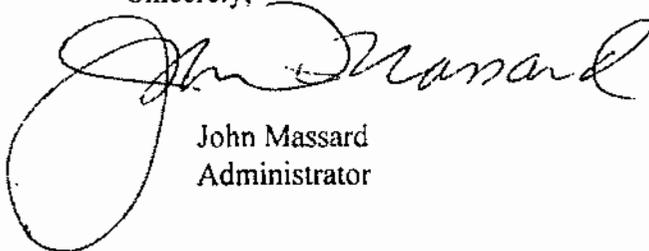
Since 1960, Elmhurst Extended Care Center has provided around-the-clock care and a comfortable community to senior citizens serving the nearby communities of Villa Park, Addison, Oak Brook, Lombard and Bensenville. Our facility and our staff are recognized regularly through awards and accreditations for the care and quality of life we deliver.

We are Medicare-and Medicaid-certified and offer a range of health care and wellness services, including Alzheimer's care, rehabilitation and inpatient dialysis for patients with kidney issues, which is how we came to know Dr. Michael Cohan. Dr. Cohan and the residents he sees at Elmhurst Extended Care have strong patient/physician relationships, and it is clear that he is truly committed to providing top-notch, compassionate care to every patient, day in and day out.

Although Elmhurst Extended Care Center offers inpatient dialysis care, once residents leave our facility, patients continue to require outpatient dialysis therapy. Important to note, we have seen an increase in the number of patients requiring dialysis. Ensuring a facility in Villa Park is open to serve area patients is critical to meeting the health care needs of our community. Knowing that Dr. Cohan would be affiliated with this facility gives us the utmost confidence that patients will receive the best care available when they need it.

Thank you for the opportunity to support this important project. I urge the board to approve U.S. Renal Care's application for a Villa Park dialysis facility.

Sincerely,



John Massard
Administrator