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George,

Attached please find additional support letters for Hawthorn Surgery Center. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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Dale Galassie
Chairperson
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Hawthorn Surgery Center – Certificate of Need Application

Dear Chairperson Galassie:

I am writing to you and the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board in regards to the application for permit to relocate Hawthorn Surgery Center (HSC) to Lakeview Parkway and Center Drive in Vernon Hills. I have met with representative from HSC on numerous occasions to discuss and review the placement of a new facility in Vernon Hills. These meeting led to HSC appearance before the Committee of the Whole of the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Vernon Hills on December 6, 2011. At this meeting, HSC made a Concept Presentation of their plans to relocate their surgical center to property near Lakeview Parkway and Center Drive. At the meeting, HSC presented their proposed building which will be one story in height and approximately 15,231 sq ft. The building will be architecturally attractive, well landscaped and have adequate parking to serve their clients and employees. It was also noted that the property is properly zoned to allow HSC as a permitted use on the property.

The reception from the Committee of the Whole was very positive and HSC was encouraged by the Committee to more into the Village's review process and reappear before the Board at a future date.

My own opinion on the proposed project is that the use will offer state-of-the-art facilities that will benefit the greater Vernon Hills area with its convenient location, shorter wait times and easier scheduling for patients and area employees. This will save both time and money for all involved.

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Based on the positive reception at the Committee of the Whole at the Concept Review stage, HSC has commenced its preparation of plans which will be reviewed by the Planning & Zoning Commission and Village Board at meetings in the very near future. Subject to HSC completing the required plans, I anticipate that the zoning entitlement process could be completed by the end of 2012 and construction could begin within a reasonable amount of time thereafter.

If you have questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,



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Dear Mr. Galassie,

I write to you today in support of Hawthorn Surgery Center's application for a permit to relocate its existing surgery center to Lakeview Parkway and Center Drive in Vernon Hills.

Due to the existing building in which Hawthorn is currently located, expanding and updating their facilities presents not just a difficult but nearly impossible challenge. As a local medical facility, Hawthorn Surgery Center already delivers some of the best care in the area. With a potential relocation they can only heighten their already tremendous patient care rating of 97%. This is truly exciting for Hawthorn's future patients.

Hawthorn Surgery Center is not just about what happens on the inside. I personally know many of the doctors and other medical professionals at Hawthorn. I am proud to say it is not just a surgery center. In addition to it's cliental; Hawthorn is fully committed to the entire community. With my experience as a local elected official, I cannot stress the importance of local business involvement in the development and civic engagement of Lake County's diverse communities.

I am honored to have Hawthorn Surgery Center in Lake County. To learn they want to expand, pursue further modernization to their state-of-the-art care, and become actively involved in yet another Lake County community, I couldn't be more pleased to support Hawthorn Surgery Center's application to relocate to Vernon Hills.

Best regards,

Sam Yingling
Avon Township Supervisor

