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Michael Constantino
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street
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Re: Fresenius Medical Care Lockport (No. 12-055)

Dear Mr. Constantino,

I am a resident of Lockport and I am very active in the community. We want to do what is in the best interest of our residents and businesses, It's a top priority for me. This is why I am urging you to support Fresenius Medical Care's proposed dialysis center at 1143-1165 E. 9th St. This facility will not only serve an existing medical need in our community, but will also enhance our economy.

I am the owner of Home Helpers, a company that provides care and in-home supportive services to senior citizens. Our goal is to make life easier during the aging process by providing transportation to and from dialysis appointments as well as offering company to these individuals. We also host the Home Helpers Autobahn 5k Plus Run/Walk to benefit Will County Senior Services, which raises awareness and funds that support senior causes.

In addition, I cohost a radio program, "Friends over Fifty", which focuses on topics that affect older citizens, including health care and overall quality of life. While our goal is to be fun and informative, we receive numerous phone calls and comments from local listeners who are dealing kidney disease and other medical conditions, and have real concerns about these issues.

A treatment facility in Lockport would enhance dialysis patients' quality of life by reducing stress and the worry of how will get to all of their appointments. It would also offer a more convenient location where they can receive treatment.

I have made it a point to support my community, especially senior citizens through various activities and fundraisers. This community is my home and I am invested in lending my support to projects that make it a better place to live. Fresenius's new dialysis center will do just that.

Sincerely,

Ed

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