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Via Email and Regular Mail

Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator
Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Lindenhurst Hospital/Project No. 12-081

Dear Ms. Avery:

As you know, I represent the applicant regarding the above referenced project. I am writing to express support for enforcement of the Health Facilities and Services Review Board rules pertaining to public comment at Board meetings. I understand that those who speak at a public hearing and/or provide written comment should not repeat themselves during the public comment opportunity process at Board meetings. This allows the Board to control its agenda and avoid duplicative and repetitive comments.

There was a long public hearing on this project. We believe a number of people who spoke in opposition to the project at the hearing will sign up to speak at the Board meeting. We do not believe they will say anything different than what has been said previously, and urge the Board to disallow comments that are repetitive of what is already in the record through the public hearing or written comment process. Also, if someone like Mr. Ourth simply wants to re-iterate legal objections to the project on behalf of his client Condell, I would ask he not be allowed to do so given the many letters he has already placed in the public record on these alleged issues.

The applicant is limiting the number of speakers in support to three individuals. The applicant could have many people, just as it did at the public hearing, speak in support of establishing a hospital in Lindenhurst. It respects the Board's agenda and does not feel the need to repeat what is already in the record.

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Thank you and we appreciate everything you and other Board staff members do to facilitate a professional and meaningful Certificate of Need process.

Very truly yours,


Clare Connor Ranalli

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