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Riverside Medical Ctr. Project 12-089  
Letters of Support

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January 15, 2013

Ms. Courtney Avery  
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Dear Ms. Avery:

As Chairman of Riverside Medical Center Board of Directors [RMC], there is pertinent information that I want to share with you regarding Silver Cross Hospital's [SCH] application for a Freestanding Emergency Center [FEC] in Frankfort, IL. Riverside Medical Center has spent a great deal of time, energy and resources researching the needs of the community in this area. We have listened to the residents and community leaders, analyzed data, considered impact information and logistics and, most importantly, reviewed our values and mission to ensure a fit to this project and location. Our conclusion was definitely yes. We, Riverside, would bring a much needed medical service to an area that is currently underserved.

With this in mind, I, on behalf of Riverside Medical Center Board of Directors, must object to the "me to" application of SCH which was filed only a few weeks after our application was submitted. The SCH application appears to be a blatant attempt to block RMC's project, rather than a well-conceived plan resulting from the same due diligence Riverside has committed to this project. Please consider the following:

SCH has apparently come to the conclusion that a FEC is needed as has Riverside, but why choose a location such a short distance from where RMC plans to build? If SCH is going to spend health care dollars, why not consider Joliet, IL? It is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest city in Illinois with a population of 150,000 and only one emergency department remaining after SCH pulled up stakes and relocated to New Lenox, IL. SCH promised the City of Joliet that it would maintain health care services after it moved out. However, SCH has not kept that promise. An FEC location in Joliet would be the least SCH could do to maintain those promised services and provide a better use of its health care dollars.

RMC is a reliable destination for the highest quality care in every community we serve—regardless of gender, race or economic circumstances. Throughout our history, RMC has repeatedly responded to areas in need by providing safe, accessible, quality healthcare. Examples of our response to community need includes our East Court Community Health Center, our New Life Center and our Pembroke Rural Health Clinic. These sites are located in neighborhoods where underprivileged, uninsured or underinsured populations struggle to acquire even some of the most basic life needs. Sixty four percent of RMC services are provided to the elderly and the poor—some of the most vulnerable populations

within any community. With more than \$31 million in services provided for these individuals, RMC considers this to be a very basic element of our service to the community.

By building facilities and placing employed physicians in these underserved areas and providing emergency and ambulance services to rural communities, we have kept our promise to invest in and stay connected with the people and the areas we have served for nearly 50 years. In 2011 alone, RMC provided more than \$42.5 million in community benefit to help these communities and minimize obstacles to better health.

For these very valid reasons, Riverside Medical Center respectfully requests that the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board deny Silver Cross Hospital's application for an FEC in Frankfort, IL.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Connie Ashline". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Connie Ashline, Chairman  
Riverside Medical Center Board of Directors

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Dear Ms. Avery,

Subject: Project 12-089 Riverside Medical Center d/b/a  
Riverside Medical Center North Campus at Frankfort

I am very pleased to learn that Riverside Medical Center is planning to open services in the Frankfort area including a freestanding emergency department, diagnostic medical services and physician offices.

The convenient access to quality emergency care and life-saving services as well as laboratory, imaging and additional providers will be of great benefit to the residents of the surrounding communities. For many residents, like me, the Riverside North Campus at Frankfort will be an important and most welcome addition to our area.

We look forward to welcoming Riverside to the Frankfort area.

Sincerely,



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# MURRAY FAMILY

January 7, 2013

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Dear Ms. Avery,

Subject: Project 12-089 Riverside Medical Center d/b/a  
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My family and I are very excited to hear of Riverside Medical Center's plans to open a medical facility in the Frankfort area including a freestanding emergency department, diagnostic medical services and physician offices.

Our area has been neglected in the past as far as having locally accessible emergency treatment facilities. This has been a matter of great concern to us as we have active children who have been very involved in sports have never felt that needing to drive anywhere from 20 to 30 minutes to obtain emergency care was acceptable.

Every emergency shares a sense of urgency and a need for immediate access to quality care and our current situation does not meet those needs.

The services provided by the proposed new Riverside medical facility in this location will help bring quality emergency care and peace of mind to our community which is currently without this critical resource.

Thank you for your consideration to improve our community.

We are looking forward to welcoming Riverside to Frankfort.

Sincerely,



Brian & Karen Murray

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January 9, 2013

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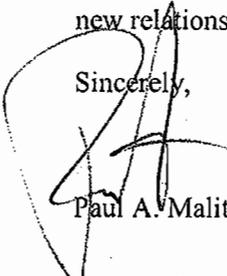
I am grateful to learn of Riverside Medical Center's plans to open services in the Frankfort area including a freestanding emergency department, diagnostic medical services and physician offices.

An emergency can be defined in many ways for many different people including a child's high fever, a car accident or a grandfather's chest pain or stroke-like symptoms. Yet every emergency shares a sense of urgency and a need for immediate access to quality care. Through quality emergency care and life-saving services, as well as laboratory, imaging and diagnostic services, the Riverside facility will bring many benefits and will be a needed and most welcome addition to our community.

The services provided by Riverside in this location will help bring quality emergency care and peace of mind to a community in which currently a 25 minutes travel time is currently the minimum required to access existing resources. Twenty five minutes is a very long time if this is your child or grandfather. Thank you for caring for our community.

We are looking forward to welcoming Riverside to our community and to beginning this new relationship.

Sincerely,

  
Paul A. Malito

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January 14, 2013

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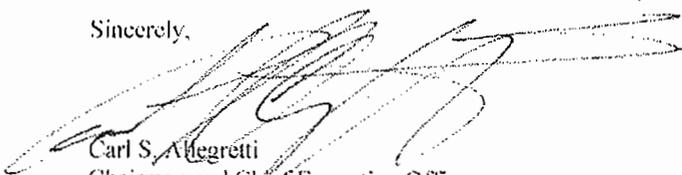
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Sincerely,



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Sincerely,



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## DALEY REDUX REDUX

**WHAT WILL HE DO THIS TIME?** Bill Daley called the other day. We estimated that it had been about three or four years since we had last spoken to each other, which is par for the course.

Going back to at least 2001, Daley, the brother and son of former Chicago mayors, has mulled a bid for governor. The last time was in 2009, when he publicly thought about challenging Pat Quinn in the Democratic primary.

It took us about a week to connect. I was busy with the lame duck session, so I didn't call him back right away. Besides, I figured, history will probably repeat itself. So, before I returned his call, I wanted to check around and see what might be different this time.

I was told that there are two major differences between now and before. First of all, Rich Daley is no longer mayor. Hizzoner simply didn't want his brother running statewide. A gubernatorial bid could shine too much of a spotlight on the mayor and there was real fear that a statewide run could upset the mayor's delicately balanced coalition - meaning black voters. Bill Daley is now free to do whatever he wants.

The other consideration also has to do with family. Daley had gone through a divorce in 2001. Now, though, he has a supportive, solid spouse who will back him all the way.

Daley confirmed both of those points when we finally connected. He also seems more serious about a bid this time than before, but he's still not there yet.

He hasn't been raising money, he hasn't been traveling the state and he flatly denied a newspaper report that he had commissioned a poll.

Instead, he's been reaching out to old friends, including former President Bill Clinton, who encouraged a run. At 64, this could be his last opportunity to run a strenuous statewide campaign, and Daley said if he does run it'll only be for a term or maybe two, just to straighten things out and move along.

Daley seemed horrified and even disgusted about the current state of the state, and joked about why anyone would even want the top job. But he appears to have the confidence in his own abilities to believe he can make a difference.

**My big question was** what he could bring to the table that Dan Hynes couldn't in 2010, when he narrowly lost to Quinn. Like Hynes, Daley is a white, Irish, South Side Chicagoan. What votes does he get that Hynes could not? While he wouldn't come right out and say it (most of the conversation was off the record), I think he believes that Hynes made some late mistakes and that enough voters are ready to move beyond Gov. Quinn that he has a legit shot.

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The power of a sitting governor should never be underestimated in a primary. Even in the "new era" of reform, governors have jobs, contracts and other favors they can hand out to key constituencies. Quinn doled out million-dollar grants like they were candy in 2010. And Quinn's last-minute announcement that Ford would build a new car and add a shift at its South Side factory gave enough people confidence that he was working hard to drag Illinois out of the economic dumpster that he was able to eek out a victory over Hynes - 8,300 votes out of more than 915,000 cast, 62 percent of which were in Cook.

Besides that, Quinn himself is one of the best closers I've ever seen. After leading for months, Quinn began slipping against Hynes and by the last weekend even some of the governor's top aides were thinking about finding new jobs after primary day. He did it again in the fall, when most people had written him off against Bill Brady.

Gov. Quinn claimed yesterday that famed New York Times prognosticator Nate Silver had given the governor just an eight-percent chance at winning against Bill Brady. Actually, Silver had given Quinn an 18 percent chance of winning, but Quinn's point is taken. Silver makes his predictions based on a complicated mixture of polling and demographic data, but the polling was way, way off in 2010. Out of eight polls conducted in the final two weeks or so, not a single one had Quinn leading, and the average Brady lead was over 5 points. Silver predicted Brady would win by 4 points. Internal campaign polls had the race much closer.

**Anyway, back to Daley.** Will he do it? I don't know. He sounds more like a candidate than he ever has, but until he starts raising money and doing a bit of traveling then we shouldn't take him all that seriously.

Can he beat Quinn? In 2010, enough people were still willing to give the relatively new "accidental governor" a chance that he could win by small margins in both the primary and the general. This time around, Quinn will have had almost 6 years under his belt, and if things don't turn around soon, he's not going to get the same benefit of the doubt.

Even so, Quinn is a far better candidate than most people give him credit for. Running on an income tax hike and standing strong on other liberal ideals during a huge national Republican landslide took guts, but he still won. His campaign template of running a highly negative race against a wealthy, conservative, out of touch businessman who didn't pay taxes was essentially copied by President Obama last year.

But Quinn started out way ahead of Dan Hynes, leading the challenger 49-23 the December before the February, 2010 primary. A recent statewide survey from Public Policy Polling had Quinn trailing Daley by three points, 37-34. And, unlike next year, 2010 was a February instead of a March primary, meaning Hynes didn't have a lot of time to burn his message in after Christmas.

**Another Daley consideration** has to be whether Attorney General Lisa Madigan decides to run. After years of dismissing the prospect, Madigan seemed almost eager to take on the challenge on election night last November, when we spoke. She flatly denied any interest in a state Supreme Court bid, saying such a job would be too boring. She seemed steamed at Chicago reporters, who'd asked her whether she could be a governor and raise her young children. And she pointed to her huge campaign war chest, which currently contains \$3.6 million. That same PPP poll had Madigan leading Quinn 64-20.

The Daley people say they aren't factoring Madigan into the equation just yet. If she runs, she runs. But right now they aren't worrying too much about it. We'll see.

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