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Ms. Hills: Please accept the attached two letters (Most Reverend Alberto Rojas Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago and Rolando Lara, M.D., F.A.C.P.) as public comments in support of the above subject project. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Many Thanks.

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Most Reverend Alberto Rojas
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago

Dear Mr. James Sifuentes,

November 15, 2012

My Blessings and Greetings of Peace and Thanksgiving to you and to all those who work at Saint Anthony Hospital. Thank you for all you do.

I strongly support St. Anthony Hospital's effort in the Archdiocese of Chicago on the proposed Dialysis Center at 3059 W. 26th St., Chicago, IL. 60623. A Dialysis Center will be highly appreciated by all surrounding communities of the South Lawndale area, especially by the African American and Hispanic/Latino communities.

As a non-for-profit organization, St. Anthony Hospital has provided its services of care in many capacities to the patients and residents of the communities for many years.

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus,

Bishop Alberto Rojas

October 19, 2012

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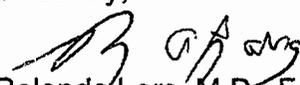
Dear Mr. Chairman:

For the last 15 years, I have been a practicing Internal Medicine Physician in the North and South Lawndale communities of Chicago, Illinois. I am in full support of the proposed SAH Dialysis Center at 26th Street in Chicago.

According to the American Kidney Fund, there are an estimated thirty one (31) million people in the United States that are living with Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD). Consistent with these numbers, I am seeing an increase in the number of patients diagnosed with CKD. Without the the right care and continuous education to these patients, these patients will likely result in the diagnosis of End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD). With the prevalence of ESRD diagnosis increasing in patient populations, the proposed SAH Dialysis Center at 26th Street is just what this patient population needs. The proposed 15-station dialysis center located in the South Lawndale community, specifically the Little Village neighborhood, will provide an accessible location for the continuum of care that CKD and ESRD patients need and deserve. This proposed dialysis center will offer on-site diabetes education, access to primary care and social services in a collaborative fashion. This innovative clinic incorporates the essential services needed to help minimize the patient's potential ESRD diagnosis.

The site of the proposed dialysis center will be located in close proximity to my clinic practice, making it accessible to my patients. I fully support the establishment of this new dialysis center.

Sincerely,


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