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January 2, 2013

Mr. Michael Constantino
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, IL 62761

RE: Fresenius Medical Care Waterloo (No. 12-095)

Dear Mr. Constantino:

I would like to offer my support for the proposed Fresenius Medical Care dialysis facility at 515-535 Hamacher Street in Waterloo.

I am the Mayor of Valmeyer, a nearby village of approximately 1,300 who use many of the medical facilities located in Waterloo.

Fresenius Medical Care would be a great addition to the medical services already provided in Waterloo and also would serve the needs of our residents as well. Each year as our population ages, we see more of our residents requiring these types of facilities. Having a dialysis center located in Waterloo would not only benefit Waterloo, but the entire County of Monroe.

Therefore, on behalf of the Village of Valmeyer, I encourage you to approve this dialysis facility.

Sincerely,



Howard Heavner
Mayor, Village of Valmeyer



**MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONROE COUNTY COURTHOUSE**

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January 3, 2013

Dale Galassie
Chairman
Illinois Health Facilities & Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Project #12-095, Fresenius Medical Care Waterloo

Dear Mr. Galassie:

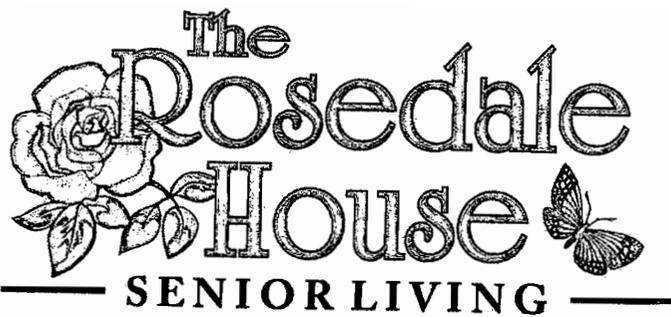
As Monroe County Board Chairman, I am well aware of the needs of those I serve. I am writing this letter on their behalf to convey my support for the proposed Fresenius Medical Care Waterloo dialysis clinic. This facility would greatly benefit our community not only by providing excellent quality of care for our dialysis recipients, but also will create employment opportunities for the area residents. The vast majority of Monroe dialysis patients must travel into Missouri for their care. In order to get there, someone in the family must transport them. They are too far to return home and then go back to pick up their loved ones. It takes at minimum four and a half hours, three days a week, which places undue burden on the families. A dialysis center here would be a life changing event for many patients and families.

Fresenius Medical Care currently treats home dialysis patients at the Fresenius RAI Waterloo Home dialysis clinic. In their ongoing commitment to serve all patient populations I welcome their desire to offer in-center dialysis services to area patients as well. A large percentage of this patient population is elderly and providing easily accessible dialysis care will only have a positive impact on these patients' lives. We look forward to these additional services in our community.

In summary, I believe the Fresenius Waterloo facility would be extremely beneficial to serve our residents who require dialysis treatment. I strongly advocate on behalf of the residents I serve for the approval of this clinic. I respectfully ask the Board to vote favorably for this much needed facility.

Sincerely,

Delbert W. Wittenauer, Chairman
Monroe County Commissioners



January 4, 2013

Mr. Michael Constantino
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, IL 62761

RE: Project # 12-095 Fresenius Medical Care Waterloo

Dear Mr. Constantino:

My name is Ardis Henerfauth and I own The Rosedale House Senior Living Center, which hosts 16 studio and one bedroom independent living suites. The Rosedale House has been operating in Waterloo for 13 years and would like to offer our support for the Fresenius Medical Care dialysis facility in Waterloo.

Waterloo is a growing community and as our population ages, we see more and more need for additional medical services, such as dialysis. Having a facility located in Waterloo will be a benefit for our residents who require dialysis and will greatly enhance our ability to transport them to meet their medical needs.

I would encourage you and the board to approve the Fresenius Medical Care Dialysis Waterloo facility.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ardis Henerfauth".

Ardis Henerfauth
The Rosedale House
228 Mueller Lane
Waterloo, IL 62298

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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, IL 62761

RE: Fresenius Medical Care Waterloo (No. 12-095)

Dear Mr. Constantino:

I would like to offer my support for the proposed Fresenius Medical Care dialysis facility at 515-535 Hamacher Street in Waterloo.

I am a Waterloo resident and have the primary responsibility for my father's healthcare. My father has been receiving dialysis treatments in St. Louis, Missouri three times a week since February 2012. The dialysis center he currently receives treatments at is a thirty minute drive one way. Since I am the mother of a small child, I am unable to remain at the dialysis facility the entire treatment time of over 4 hours. Therefore, I must make two trips, one to take my father over for treatment and another one to pick him up from treatment. This has affected my employment and has required me to take a reduction in my hours.

If a facility was located in Waterloo, this would provide a great service for our community and would be a great benefit towards my situation and quality of life. Fresenius Medical Care would be a great addition and I along with many other residents would fully support the Waterloo location.

Therefore, I encourage you to approve this dialysis facility.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robin Miller". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R".

Robin Miller
Robert Miller
6512 Woodpecker Lane
Waterloo, IL 62298

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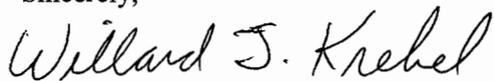
I would like to offer my support for the proposed Fresenius Medical Care dialysis facility at 515-535 Hamacher Street in Waterloo.

I am a resident and local business owner in Waterloo. My wife recently had to receive dialysis treatments and the closest facility for us was located in St. Louis, Missouri. In order for her to receive treatments, I had to place her in an overnight facility. If a facility was located in Waterloo, this would be a tremendous benefit to me and other residents in the same predicament.

Waterloo has great medical services available to the community however, we lack a dialysis facility. Fresenius Medical Care would be a great addition and I along with many other residents would fully support the Waterloo location.

Therefore, I encourage you to approve this dialysis facility.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Willard J. Krebel".

Willard Krebel
320 N Church St.
Waterloo, IL 62298

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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street
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RE: Fresenius Medical Care Waterloo (No. 12-095)

Dear Mr. Constantino:

I would like to offer my support for the proposed Fresenius Medical Care dialysis facility at 515-535 Hamacher Street in Waterloo.

I am a life-long resident of Waterloo and am currently on dialysis. My wife is my primary care-giver and must take me to St. Louis, Missouri to receive treatments. My treatments there are usually a four hour appointment and with drive-time, we are usually gone five to six hours three times a week. If a facility was located in Waterloo, this would relieve my wife from a tremendous burden she now bears with my healthcare. This would also be a great benefit to many others who are burdened with out of state travel to a dialysis center.

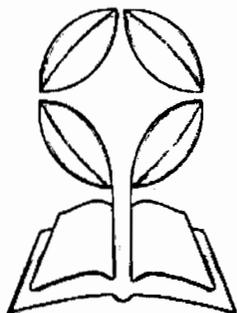
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Therefore, I encourage you to approve this dialysis facility.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dennis 'Dix' Lenhardt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "D".

Dennis "Dix" Lenhardt
1721 Lakeview Dr
Waterloo, IL 62298



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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
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Dear Mr. Constantino,

I am writing to encourage you to consider approving the proposed Fresenius Medical Care dialysis facility to be located at 515-535 Hamacher Street here in Waterloo. We believe there is a need and there is support for such a facility.

I have been a pastor here in Waterloo since 1993 and was actually born and raised here since 1951. I know Waterloo and the community is very near to my heart. Over the years of pastoring here, our church has had a number of members in need of dialysis. They have had to either travel to Belleville (about one hour away), South County (about 45 minutes away), or else engage in expensive home dialysis. This has proven to be inconvenient and expensive. We in fact have two members in dialysis right now. As we have more and more citizens approaching the age where dialysis is needed, having a more local center for dialysis becomes more crucial. The need is here. Because Waterloo is the county seat of government, the business hub of the area, as well as centrally located in Monroe County, we are a logical site for the center. .

We have an excellent medical complex at Southern Illinois Center for Medicine with a recently completed surgery center being opened in 2011. We will have at least two new senior citizen residential homes – Garden Place and Legacy – opening by the end of this January, to go along with Oak Hill, already here. These are all well supported by the community. To have a dialysis center nearby simply makes sense.

So I respectfully ask you to approve the establishment of Fresenius because it is needed and because it will be successfully supported here.

Sincerely,

L, William Hesterberg, Senior Pastor