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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson, 2nd Floor
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Re: Support of Good Shepherd Hospital Modernization Plan

CISCO Supports Good Shepherd Hospital – Lake Barrington

The Construction Industry Service Corporation **strongly urges** you to approve Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital's plan to modernize its 35-year-old facility near Lake Barrington, Illinois. The four-year, \$247 million upgrade will increase capacity of its ICU and operating rooms to accommodate today's latest technology and equipment.

In addition, the plan would:

- Create hundreds of full-time construction jobs throughout the four-year length of the project;
- Centralize the radiology department into one campus location;
- Add private rooms for all patients; and
- Incorporate an energy efficiency component to the facility.

In today's rebounding economic environment, this project couldn't have come at a better time. It serves the following needs: **Stimulating the economy, creating jobs** and providing a more **modern, quality healthcare facility** to an area that is lacking such an option. Based on all of these factors, this is the ideal project for the leadership of the Review Board to recommend.

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As a key stakeholder, the Construction Industry Service Corporation (CISCO) is a non-profit labor management association that represents 140,000 union construction workers and 8,000 contractors in Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake and McHenry Counties.

What an opportunity you possess to continue to lead the state's economic recovery efforts. This project will have a positive impact on our regional community, strengthening the state's quality of life, bolstering our economy, and providing opportunity to local construction workers.

On behalf of CISCO and its Board of Directors, we thank you for your vigilance to this project, and for your courage in making a conscientious decision that will impact the future of so many others.

Sincerely,

John Brining

Executive Director

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