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August 30, 2013

Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and
Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Massac Co. Surgery Center
Project 13-052

Dear Ms. Avery;

It has been brought to my attention of a purposed and possible plan to develop an outpatient surgery center in Metropolis, Illinois. Please consider this as a letter of support for the above mentioned to be developed within our city. This would be a wonderful opportunity for the residents in and around Metropolis/Massac Co. Many residents have to take their medical needs, in cases such as surgery, to Paducah and other out of state and region facilities.

When patients and their families have to travel out of our area, it causes a hardship on all involved. With a facility here, it would benefit not only our residents but also the residents of other small communities that surround our area in Southern Illinois.

A center, such as the one purposed, providing orthopedic and podiatric would again, be a benefit to our community. By the presence of one such as this, it would also bring individuals into our area for care and procedures.

If I can be of any further assistance, or you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,
City of Metropolis

Billy McDaniel
Mayor

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RE: Massac County Surgery Center
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Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept this letter in support of the plans to develop a surgery center in Metropolis, Illinois. I believe that it is important that everything possible be done to bring additional health care resources to far southern Illinois. Traditionally, Massac County residents have needed to leave the area—often leaving Illinois---for necessary medical and surgical procedures, due to both the absence of certain medical and surgical specialists in the County, as well as the absence of required facilities.

One of the main functions of the Chamber of Commerce is to encourage the development of resources that support our community. This surgery center is an excellent example of the type of resources our community needs. It will provide an opportunity for new jobs and provide a much needed service.

The proposed surgery center will not only provide an appropriate physical setting for outpatient orthopedic and podiatric procedures, but will result in a presence within Massac County of orthopedic and podiatric surgeons.

Sincerely,

Lisa Gower
President