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October 22, 2013

Ms. Courtney Avery  
Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and  
Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson  
Springfield, IL 62671

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HEALTH FACILITIES &  
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REFERENCE: ALEXIAN BROTHERS MEDICAL CENTER PROJECT 13-062

Dear Ms. Avery:

I am writing in support of the above referenced project for Alexian Brothers Medical Center in Elk Grove Village. They are planning to open an inpatient psychiatric unit in cooperation with their sister hospital, Alexian Brothers Behavioral Health Hospital (ABBHH). The reputation of excellent clinical quality at ABBHH is well known, as is their care for the underserved at the community mental health center that they took over some years ago when it was on the verge of closure. This is an important point considering the State's limited resources for providing mental health services.

I know that ABBHH is a very busy hospital, they often have to redirect patients, sometimes to facilities well out of the community who require hospitalization. With this new unit at Alexian Brothers Medical Center, more patients can be served close to their homes with the same clinical excellence provided at ABBHH.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Kotowski".

Dan Kotowski  
Illinois State Senator

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