

July 11, 2014



**RELIGIOUS HOSPITALLERS
OF ST. JOSEPH**
326 W. 64th Street
Chicago, IL 60621

Charles Holland
President & CEO
St. Bernard Hospital
326 W. 64th Street
Chicago, IL 60621

Dear Mr. Holland:

On behalf of the Sisters of the Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph, we are happy to inform you that we have approved providing financial support in the form of a gift of up to \$36 million for the funding of a new ambulatory care facility for St. Bernard Hospital.

The R.H.S.J.'s, who in 1903, along with Father Bernard Murray, founded St. Bernard Hospital (Hotel Dieu), have remained committed to the hospital and its mission to the Englewood community throughout the hospital's existence. It is through their prayers and efforts and God's guidance that this opportunity has been made possible.

We are truly blessed to be able to further the growth of the hospital. The new facility will meet a critical need for expanded outpatient services for the community, and will continue the healing mission of Jesus to which all those associated with the hospital are dedicated.

Our prayers are with you and the entire St. Bernard Hospital family as you begin a new chapter in the long history of St. Bernard.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "An E Van Straten".

Sister Elizabeth Van Straten, RHSJ