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RE: Project 15-019
Adventist Bolingbrook Hospital
24-Bed Psychiatry Unit
Letter of Support

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept this letter as an indication of my support for Adventist Bolingbrook Hospital's plans to operate a 24-bed psychiatry unit.

The residents of Will County will benefit from Adventist Bolingbrook's plans. The hospital is currently seeing hundreds of patients a year in its Emergency Department that require hospitalization for a psychiatric disease. A high percentage of these patients are Will County residents, who must now be referred to another hospital, often out of the immediate area. With their desired psychiatric unit, the hospital will be able to keep those patients in Bolingbrook, and allow their internists and family physicians to monitor their care.

This project is consistent with Adventist Bolingbrook Hospital's commitment to residents of Bolingbrook and the surrounding communities, and will be a great benefit to area patients in need of this service.

Please advise your Board of my support.

Sincerely,

Lawrence M. Walsh
Executive