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Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield IL 62761

**HEALTH FACILITIES &
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Regarding: Project 15-021 Saint Anthony Medical Center

Dear Ms. Courtney Avery,

This letter is in support of the "Saint Anthony Medical Center Modernization Project 15-021", which would allow for nearly every patient to receive their own private room. We at Healing Pathways believe in a healing and nurturing environment. Private rooms will allow for improved patient privacy and a more healing environment by reducing noise and other distractions.

Private rooms will also offer more privacy, especially when sensitive conversations are occurring with medical diagnosis and prognosis related information. The addition of private rooms would also allow family members to spend the night without interrupting a roommate. The ability to have a loved one near is also vital and critical to the healing process.

Healing Pathways Cancer Resource Center is committed to helping our guests regain the energy and peace of mind they need to live well and fully during the cancer journey. We feel that the ability to have a private room will only enhance the patient experience and aid in the recovery process and that is why we support the "Saint Anthony Medical Center Modernization Project 15-021".

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charlotte LeClerc".

Charlotte LeClerc
President, Healing Pathways Cancer Resource Center

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RE: Letter of Support for OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center Modernization Project 15-021

Dear Ms. Avery:

Rockford Orthopedic Associates, Ltd. is a subspecialty practice comprised of 23 surgeons, 6 non-operative physicians, and 5 locations in Rockford, Illinois. The practice has served the musculoskeletal needs of northern Illinois residents since 1967.

During this tenure, Rockford Orthopedic, along with other community physicians and health care services, have enjoyed a strong and supportive partnership with OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center in serving the health needs of our community. We believe this project will allow OSF Saint Anthony to provide even greater value to the region as a Level 1 trauma center destination for higher level care.

OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center stands as a solid asset to our community by not only serving as a major employer of over 2,000 in our area, but also in providing access to high quality health care services to all community members, regardless of ability to pay or payor source.

On behalf of all the physicians of Rockford Orthopedic, I offer our full support of this modernization project. OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center has always been associated with quality patient care. This modernization project will allow OSF to now provide that higher level of care with expanded access and improved amenities such as private rooms that are not currently available but which contribute to the comfort and overall patient experience.

Sincerely,

Brian Bear, M.D.

President

Rockford Orthopedic Associates, Ltd.

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May 7, 2015

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RE: Letter of Support - Project 15-021
OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center Modernization Project

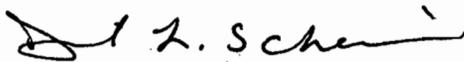
Dear Ms. Avery:

I am writing on behalf of Katherine Shaw Bethea Hospital to express support for the OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center Modernization Project referenced above. It is my understanding that this project will provide private patient rooms which is critical to patient safety, especially from an infectious disease perspective, in addition to increasing privacy and confidentiality for an overall improved patient experience.

The provision of a healing environment also benefits family members, visitors and health care providers, thereby aiding in the recruitment and retention of the health care team. This approach by OSF is to be commended which is difficult to attain in a struggling economy yet they recognize the importance and value of the patient experience and benefit to the greater community through added job creation in the construction arena.

Your consideration of a favorable action on the part of this project is highly recommended and supported by the Board of Directors and Administration of KSB Hospital.

Sincerely,



David L. Schreiner, FACHE
President/CEO

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Re: Project Number 15-021

Dear Ms. Avery,

My son was hospitalized at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center and received excellent care during his critical time of need. He had a brain tumor removed and had to spend an extended time in a patient care room. The care was exceptional, however, the room was small, and there was no room for us to comfortably visit for the extended periods of time required during his stay. In addition, the room was shared with other patients during his stay and it was difficult to have any privacy. After brain surgery, my son was extremely sensitive to light, sounds, smells and movement. Being in a non-private room was not a good situation. I think Rockford area residents who choose OSF Saint Anthony for their care should not have to receive it in an outdated and cramped patient care room facility.

I urge you to approve the subject project application to build the bed pavilion at OSF Saint Anthony, in Rockford, IL, that will offer private rooms for future patients.

Thank you for your consideration and time with this important subject,



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