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

RE: MercyRockford Health System
Projects 15-038, 15-039, and 15-040

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please post the enclosed letters as letters of support for the three above-referenced projects.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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President

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Ms. Courtney Avery
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Re: Support for Mercy Rockford Health System – Project Numbers 15-038, 15-039, 15-040

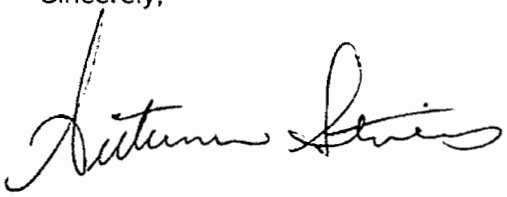
Dear Ms. Avery:

I recently delivered my second son at Rockford Memorial Hospital in July of this year. I had the most wonderful experience. Throughout my pregnancy I saw the doctors and midwives at maternal fetal medicine. They did an amazing job managing my care. I was induced early with this pregnancy and was nervous that this delivery would be like my last. Every nurse I had throughout my stay helped ease my mind and make me comfortable. Every staff member I encountered was there to ensure the safe entry of my son into this world.

I sincerely support the plan for the new facilities.

The amazing nurses, doctors and midwives who work within the Health System deserve to have the most modern facility and equipment to care for their patients in the best way they possibly can. Also, with a location off I-90, it will increase accessibility for the 15 counties to which the hospital provides high risk services to pregnant patients.

Sincerely,



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September 4, 2015

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Re: Support for MercyRockford Health System -- Project Numbers: 15-038, 15-039, 15-040

Dear Ms. Avery:

This is my second time as a cancer patient at Rockford Memorial Hospital. I'm currently undergoing radiation treatment for breast cancer, just like I did eight years ago. I've seen a big difference in the Cancer Center since my last treatment. The radiation treatment area is much more private and modern. Treatment times with the new machine are much faster. Overall all it is a much nicer experience.

One thing that has remained the same is the amazing staff. They are always friendly and helpful. They greet you with a smile. They have people at the door to help you with a wheelchair and get you to and from your car. I'm glad they now have a nicer area to go along with the great staff.

I'm pleased to hear that the hospital is going to continue to offer its Cancer Center service on Rockton Avenue. Driving from Mt. Morris is a really long distance. It's nice not to have to drive through town to get to the Cancer Center. Some people have a hard time traveling, plus it costs more in gas and the wear on your tires and car when you have to make the trip daily. Weather can also be a big factor when you drive through town. It's such a quality Cancer Center, I'm glad they are committed to keeping it on the west side of Rockford. I ask you to please approve the hospital's plan.

Sincerely,

Barbara J. Fay

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MS. COURTNEY AVERY
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Dear Ms. Avery,

I was diagnosed with throat Cancer this summer. I am receiving treatments using the linear accelerator. My health has improved. The linear accelerator is a vital part of the cancer center. I was born in Rockford Memorial Hospital. I also been a life long resident of Rockford's west side. RMH has been an important part of the west side.

Sincerely

Ken Watson