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February 24, 2016

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

Dear Ms. Avery,

Enclosed is the letter I sent to Timothy Brosnan the week of February 1st to show support for the Palos Health Facility. If you have any questions regarding this issue, feel free to contact my office at 773-445-8128.

Sincerely,

Frances Ann Hurley
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Timothy J. Brosnan
Vice President, Planning and Community Relations
Palos Community Hospital
12251 S. 80th Avenue
Palos Heights, IL 60463

Dear Mr. Brosnan,

Earlier this month, my office received an email from you on behalf of the Palos Community Hospital. You requested that I write a letter of support to the Illinois Health Facilities Board in support of the construction and expansion of the hospital. I wrote the letter in hopes that this new facility would help the neighborhood and its constituents.

However, since writing and sending the letter to the State Board, I have had many constituents bring to my attention the importance of the health and wellness center currently at the site. I am concerned with the closing of this facility because so many of my constituents use its unique services. I support Palos Hospital's expansion plans, but urge them to reconsider their decision to close this community-based fitness center. Being a member of the Illinois Special Olympics Board, I cannot support closing one of our athletes' major fitness centers in Illinois.

I urge Palos to include a similar fitness center in the new facility should they be granted a Certificate of Need from the State. If you have any questions, feel free to contact my office regarding this issue.

Sincerely,

Frances Ann Hurley
Illinois State Representative, 35th District

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