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April 12, 2016

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

Re: Project No. 16-011, Northbrook Behavioral Hospital, Northbrook

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept the enclosed (7) letters of support for the above referenced project from:

Village of Bannockburn Police Department
SJP Comprehensive Medicine, INC.
Northbrook Evangelical Covenant Church
Northbrook Inn Memory Care Community
OMNI Youth Services
Ralph C. Menezes, MD
Robin Shapiro, MD SC

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

John P. Kniery
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Enclosure(s)

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Police Department

RONALD D. PRICE
CHIEF OF POLICE

January 5, 2016

Mr. David Schoon
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I urge you to support the approval of US HealthVest's behavioral hospital and thank you for your assistance in providing access to care.

Sincerely,

Ronald D. Price
Chief of Police

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Having lived and worked in the Northwest Suburbs for most of my adult life I have experienced firsthand the deficit that exists with regards to inpatient behavioral care. Patients are often required to seek inpatient behavioral hospital care far from where they live, many times removing them from their social support network. There is a need for inpatient behavioral care for patients within the community in which they reside.

I urge you to support the approval of US HealthVest's behavioral hospital and thank you for your assistance in providing access to care.

Sincerely,

Steve Paschos, MD

SJP Comprehensive Medicine, INC.
310 Busse Highway, #286
Park Ridge, Illinois

cc: The Board of Trustees, Ms. Sandra Frum, Village President

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In my five years as Lead Pastor at the Northbrook Covenant Church, I have seen many who would benefit from this facility. We are a small congregation, yet in these few years, I am aware of seven people who have been in need of specialized psychiatric services. There is, without a doubt, a desire for quality care for these individuals in our area.

I urge you to support the approval of US HealthVest's behavioral hospital and thank you for your assistance in providing access to care.

Sincerely,

Rev Thomas P. Belshaw

Lead Pastor
Northbrook Evangelical Covenant Church

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NORTHBROOK INN
MEMORY CARE COMMUNITY
A Koelsch Senior Community

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Memory care communities rely on geriatric in-patient units to help regulate medications and return residents to their best possible baseline – allowing them to return to a community setting.

Too often, area geriatric in-patient units are full and residents end up an hour or more away from our Community and their families. This creates a hardship on elderly spouses and working children. Having another high-quality geriatric in-patient psychiatric facility would greatly benefit our community, people with dementia and their families.

I urge you to support the approval of US HealthVest's behavioral hospital and thank you for your assistance in providing access to care.

Sincerely,

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OMNI Youth Services is a community-based provider of comprehensive outpatient services for children, adolescents and their families living in the northwest suburbs. OMNI provides: group, family, and individual counseling to youth encountering emotional and behavioral difficulties; substance abuse treatment and recovery; juvenile justice services; 24/7 crisis intervention; police social work; youth development; child welfare services; prevention; and community outreach. Services are available in English and Spanish.

OMNI Youth Services is very concerned about the long-term welfare of youth who have experienced mental health, suicidal ideations/gestures, substance abuse, self-injury, trauma and psychiatric issues. We are particularly concerned about youth with these issues that need a higher level of care than what OMNI can provide. We look forward to working with US Healthvest's proposed hospital in Northbrook to address the needs of the community.

I urge you to support the approval of US HealthVest's behavioral hospital and thank you for your assistance in providing access to care.

Sincerely,

Brian McKenna
Chief Operating Officer
OMNI Youth Services

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Board Certified Psychiatrist
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I had worked as the Medical Director of a hospital up in your area for the better part of two decades, and although I have moved offices to the western suburbs, I still maintain nearly a thousand active patients from the north shore suburbs including Northbrook, Wheeling, Glenview, Highland Park and Deerfield and Northfield. Currently, when my patients from these areas require hospitalization, they must travel long distances to receive it, sometimes even into the city where they may be housed with populations that are quite dissimilar to them. It would be highly preferable to have inpatient care available in or near their own community. The northern suburbs of Illinois, including Northbrook and beyond, have had a lack of appropriate beds for their geography, and a psychiatric hospital in this area is long overdue.

I fully support this project and urge you to support the approval of US HealthVest's behavioral hospital and thank you for your assistance in providing access to care.

Sincerely,

Ralph C. Menezes, M.D.
Psychiatrist

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