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April 14, 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 (6) letters of support for the above referenced project from:

David George Bawden, MD
Shiraz Butt, MD
The Bridge Community Church
North Elementary School
The Grove of Northbrook
Youth Services of Glenview/Northbrook

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

Sincerely,

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January 5, 2016

Mr. David Schoon
Assistant Director/Economic Development Coordinator
Village of Northbrook Development & Planning Services
1225 Cedar Lane
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RE: US HealthVest's Proposed Behavioral Hospital in Northbrook

Dear Mr. Schoon,

This letter is in support of US HealthVest's proposed behavioral hospital in Northbrook.

There is an unmet need in the surrounding area for specialized psychiatric services that is resulting in patients being deferred or denied treatment. Approval of US HealthVest's application will increase access to these important services.

I am currently in private practice in the Chicago North Shore area and treat both inpatients and nursing home patients. There are times when I am unable to get patients admitted in this area due to bed shortage in particular in geriatric services. This proposed hospital would fill this need.

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,

David Bawden, M.D.

SHIRAZ BUTT, M.D.
555 Wilson Lane
Des Plaines, IL 60016

January 6, 2016

Mr. David Schoon
Assistant Director/Economic Development Coordinator
Village of Northbrook Development & Planning Services
1225 Cedar Lane
Northbrook, IL 60062

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I have been a practicing psychiatrist in the area for the last several years. I am well aware of the immense need for psychiatric services for all age groups. I high quality hospital would fill the void for these services.

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,

Shiraz Butt, M.D.
Psychiatrist

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

THEBRIDGE

January 13, 2016

To Whom it may concern,

The Bridge Community Church has a good relationship with the Chicago Behavior Center. They are positive neighbors in Des Plaines and are a benefit to our community. We are glad that they are here and believe that a location in your community would also be a benefit for those who live there.

Sincerely,

Scott Ziegler
Lead Pastor
The Bridge Community Church

January 12, 2016

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter on behalf of the **Chicago Behavioral Hospital** on Rand Road in Des Plaines, Illinois.

I am the principal of North Elementary School in Des Plaines and I would like to say how pleased we are to have them as our closest neighbor. Since opening in November of 2014, we have not had any situations arise that would interfere with our daily routine. They keep the grounds perfectly maintained and there has never been a disruption to our school activities.

We have had the pleasure of meeting their community liaison, Ms. Danielle Carleton. They have graciously offered their parking lot for our use with evening programs and we in turn offered use of our outside grounds for any activities after our normal attendance day.

We are very happy to call them "neighbor".

Best Regards,

NORTH SCHOOL

Dr. Howard Coleman
Principal

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Dr. Howard D. Coleman, *Principal*

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THE GROVE
OF NORTHBROOK

January 6th, 2016

Mr. David Schoon
Assistant Director/Economic Development Coordinator
Village of Northbrook Development & Planning Services
1225 Cedar Lane
Northbrook, IL 60062

RE: US HealthVest's Proposed Behavioral Hospital in Northbrook

Dear Mr. Schoon,

This letter is in support of US Healthvest's proposed behavioral hospital in Northbrook.

There is an unmet need in the surrounding area for specialized psychiatric services that is resulting in patients being deferred or denied treatment. Approval of US HealthVest's application will increase access to these important services.

Currently our patients must travel out of the community to receive necessary psychiatric services and this can be an untold burden for our senior population.

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,

Mark Dubovick
Administrator
The Grove of Northbrook

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

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at the PotashCorp Campus

January 11, 2016

Mr. David Schoon
Assistant Director/Economic Development Coordinator
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Northbrook, IL 60062

RE: US HealthVest's Proposed Behavioral Hospital in Northbrook

Dear Mr. Schoon,

This letter is in support of US Healthvest's proposed behavioral hospital in Northbrook.

There is an unmet need in the surrounding area for specialized psychiatric services that is resulting in patients being deferred or denied treatment. Approval of US HealthVest's application will increase access to these important services.

Here at Youth Services, we are seeing more and more children struggling with severe mental health diagnosis'. These problems are presenting at younger ages, hindering the child's ability to function successfully at home, in school, and in the community. Oftentimes, these struggles warrant a psychiatric evaluation and/or hospitalization in order to stabilize the child. However, YSGN's counselors are having much difficulty finding programs that are both specialized and available immediately to the family.

That is why we were so relieved after being notified of the Chicago Behavioral Hospital in Des Plaines. Approximately two months ago, one of our clients voiced that she was suicidal. We immediately referred her the facility in Des Plaines. We were then notified by the intake worker within an hour that a psychiatric evaluation was completed and the child was hospitalized as a result. During the child's hospitalization, hospital counselors were in constant communication with our counselors. The child was successfully discharged two weeks later, and the hospital continued to follow up regarding progress. I cannot stress enough how thoroughly impressed we were with the level of care and expertise that this child received. I can say with 100% confidence that a facility in Northbrook would answer the call for so many area children and families sharing similar struggles.

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

Sincerely,

Amy O'Leary

Amy O'Leary
Executive Director
Youth Services of Glenview/Northbrook

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