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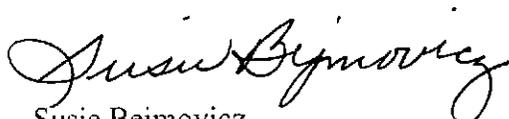
Re: Certificate of Exemption No. E-001-11, Surgery Center of Southern Illinois

Dear Chairman Galassie:

This letter is written in support of the pending Certificate of Exemption application which is referenced above. This transaction contemplates a change of ownership of the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois in Marion. It is my understanding that this request does not require substantive review by the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board because the applicant meets the requirements for an exemption. Regardless, I would like to express my support for the project. The facility is currently controlled and managed by a national surgery center chain, and this transaction would bring local control and management to the surgery center. Our facility has been through several general partner changes through my years of employment here, without any interruption of the quality services we provide to our patients and surgeons. The principal of the planned general partner of the venture is Mr. Ronald E. Osman, who has been active in the community and several area businesses for decades. Most notably, Mr. Osman has experience as one of the individuals originally involved with the development of the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois. Mr. Osman understands the complexities of health care services. He will implement prudent management strategies while maintaining access to services for the community at large. He will also maintain the existing staff to ensure that the quality services provided to our patients and surgeon will continue. I have worked at the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois for 26 years and had the pleasure of working with Mr. Osman during the first few years of the development of the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois. Based upon my experience with Mr. Osman, I am confident that the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois will be well run and will be operated with the best interests of its patients, surgeons, and staff in mind.

I thank you for bringing this matter to the public for comment as your rules provide, as I appreciate having the opportunity to support Cirurgia Centro as the new manager and general partner of this facility. This is a non-controversial transaction from a health planning perspective, and I'm sure the CON Board's approval will be forthcoming in due course.

Sincerely,



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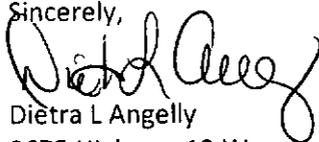
Re: Certificate of Exemption No. E-001-11, Surgery Center of Southern Illinois

Dear Chairman Galassie:

This letter is written to express my support of the pending transfer of ownership under the Certificate of Exemption filed for the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois in Marion referenced above. As I understand, this request does not require substantive review by the Illinois Health Facilities and Service Review board because the applicant meets the requirements of exemption. Regardless, I would like to express my full support in this matter. As a sixteen year employee of the facility, I have experienced several general partner ownership changes that have occurred seamlessly without any change in the great service and quality provided by staff to all physicians and patients. Mr. Ronald E. Osman was fully involved in obtaining the original certificate of need and fully understands healthcare needs in this community. Mr. Osman will be a great asset to the facility by bringing control of the facility locally which will help the facility to meet the needs of our physicians, patients and community. Mr. Osman also understands the values that are important to each of us and we practice daily; Clinical Quality, Integrity, Service Excellence, Teamwork, Accountability and Continuous Improvement. We all committed to these even in the tough times of the past ten months, as we watched over half the staff be laid off, had substantial cuts in our hours do to the loss of case volume when a partner opened his own surgery center reducing his cases until he no longer performed any at the facility. Our commitment continues to prove strong as we band together to rebuild the surgery center by getting a three year accreditation certificate, adding new surgeons and continue to provide the most efficient quality orientated care possible, that allows the surgeon to put time back into his day. Based on my experience with Mr. Osman, I am confident that the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois will continue to be a well ran and operated facility allowing all current staff to retain their jobs and benefits; which allows our number one fans, the patients, to continue to receive what they deserve; the highest standard of care given.

I thank you for bringing this matter to the public for comments allowing me and many others to show support for Cirurgia Centro as the new manager and general partner of this facility. I fully believe that this is a non-controversial transaction from a health planning perspective, and I am sure that the CON Board's approval will be forthcoming in due course.

Sincerely,



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