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March 28, 2011

Dale Galassie, Chair  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 W. Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Springfield, IL 62761

Dear Chairman Galassie:

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

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. 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.

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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brandon".

Brandon W. Phelps  
State Representative  
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Re: IHFPB Project #E-001-11  
Surgery Center of Southern Illinois, Marion

Dear Mr. Galassie:

This letter is being sent in support of the above-referenced project, which proposes to transfer ownership of the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois to Ronald Osman, principal.

Southern Illinois Healthcare (SIH) owns and operates three acute care hospitals, one multi-specialty clinic and is part-owner of an ambulatory surgery center in southern Illinois. As the largest provider of healthcare in the region, SIH has enjoyed a healthy and positive working relationship with both Ronald Osman and the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois. We believe that as a result of the proposed ownership transfer, the surgery center will thrive as a provider of quality clinical services and that our relationship will continue to be positive going forward.

On behalf of SIH, I encourage the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to approve project E-001-11. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (618) 457-5200 extension 67961.

Sincerely,

Philip L. Schaefer, FACHE  
Vice President and Administrator  
Ambulatory and Physician Services  
Southern Illinois Healthcare



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I understand Mr. Ronald E. Osman, who has been involved with the development of the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois, will be the planned general partner. I have been in medical practice in Saline County since 1985 and have known Mr. Osman as an integral part of our local health care community during that time. Mr. Osman has been active in the local health care services, along with community and business services, and I think his involvement will be instrumental in maintaining services to the local communities.

I sincerely appreciate your bringing the matter of change of ownership of the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois to the attention of the public. I understand that the request does not require review by the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board because the applicant meets the requirements for an exemption. However, I truly hope that the approval of this transaction will be forthcoming.

Sincerely,

Steven D. Knight, M.D.

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**Dear Chairman Galassie:**

I am a family physician in Harrisburg, Illinois, where I have been in private practice for 31 years.

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Sincerely,

Larry R. Jones, M.D.

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Sincerely,

Adam Vargo, M.D.

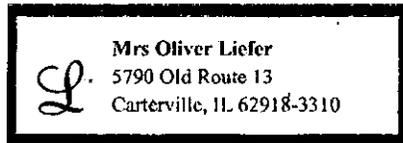
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March 31, 2011



To: Mr. Dale Galassie

Re: E-001-11-  
Surgery Ctr of S.I.

Dear Mr Galassie:

I am writing in support of the Certificate of Exemption for the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois. Last month I had Cataract Surgery for both of my eyes at the Surgery Center.

I can honestly and with all sincerity say that I have never been treated with such courtesy and concern by the staff at the Center. I was treated as if I were the only patient they had to worry about. They went above and beyond to make sure I was completely comfortable through both surgeries.

To sum up the type of care given by the Surgery Center, the only words I can think of to really describe it is "totally pampered". I would recommend the Center to anyone.

Sincerely,  
Mrs Oliver Liefer



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Sincerely,

Roger D. Watters, M.D.

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I have been a nurse at the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois since one month after it opened in August of 1985. That is when I first met Ron Osman. Since then there has been 4 changes in the general partnership interest. None of these changes resulted in any interruption in quality of patient care services. I firmly believe that this will not cause any drop in the quality of patient care and services that we offer.

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.

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Linda Bickers R.N.-Administrator  
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Derrall Allen Shawn Parker  
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