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

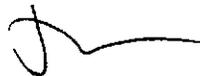
Dear Chairman Galassie:

I would like to express my support for the pending Certificate of Exemption project of the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois as referenced above. I have been bringing my patients there for over a year. I am very pleased with the professional and compassion care they have provided my patients. I am convinced that this care will continue after the change of ownership of the General Partner.

I plan to continue utilizing this facility. I think local ownership/management will provide even better service to the community in the future. I hope there will be a smooth transition, with no interruption of services for my patients or loss of local jobs for the current staff. I have been reassured that Mr. Osman plans to retain the current staff and maintain the high level of service to the community.

Thank-you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Julie Sowerby, D.O.