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April 25, 2011

Dale Galassie
Chairman
Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board
525 West Jefferson St., 2nd Fl
Springfield, IL 62762-0001

Dear Chairman Galassie:

I write in support of Trinity Health's application to acquire the Loyola University Health System. This new collaboration is in the best interest of Illinois citizens.

This collaboration will position Loyola University Health System for continued success. With two hospitals, a regional burn center, a level one trauma center, national leadership in medical education, and 28 outpatient facilities, Loyola University Health System is an economic engine and leading care provider in Illinois. This new partnership with Trinity Health will provide Loyola University Health System the financial and shared services resources necessary to respond to health care reform and new evolving models of care.

I am familiar with Trinity Health's proposal and very supportive.

Sincerely,

Karen A. Yarbrough
Assistant Majority Leader
State Representative (D-7)