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Courtney R. Avery, Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 W. Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Springfield, IL 62761

RE: Letter of Support for Kewanee Hospital's Affiliation with OSF Healthcare System

Dear Ms. Avery:

As a member of the Kewanee Hospital Board, but more importantly as a member of the community served by Kewanee Hospital, I would like to express my support for the affiliation of Kewanee Hospital with the OSF Healthcare System.

Kewanee Hospital is an irreplaceable asset for healthcare in this community. The executive team and board decided several years ago that to continue to provide the most up to date healthcare, more access to specialty care and continue the mission of Kewanee Hospital which is "to improve the health and care of those we serve", the hospital needed to affiliate with a larger system. After an extensive due diligence process, the OSF Healthcare system was selected as that affiliation partner.

I extend my sincere support of this affiliation as I believe it serves the best interests of our community, and encourage the Planning Board to approve the Certificate of Exemption for the change of ownership of Kewanee Hospital.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Mary Kay North, secretary  
Kewanee Hospital Board of Trustees