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Courtney Avery, Administrator
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Re: Project No. E 22-13, Affiliation between Methodist Health Services Corporation
and Proctor Health Care Incorporation (Proctor Hospital)

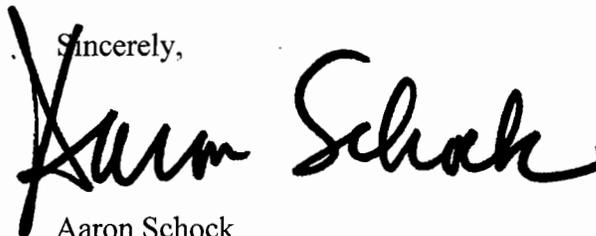
Dear Ms. Avery:

I am writing on behalf of Methodist Health Services Corporation and Proctor Health Care Incorporation in regard to their proposed affiliation.

These two institutions have long been valued health care providers in the Peoria area. I am told that the affiliation will result in measurable benefits to consumers and payers through quality improvements and the development of new services, while also expanding access to affordable healthcare services in the community.

A partnership between Methodist and Proctor aims to empower them to succeed in a health care industry that is rapidly changing as a result of federal legislation and new reimbursement models. It is my hope that their application will receive full and careful consideration. If there are any questions that I can resolve in this matter, I hope that you will not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Aaron Schock
Member of Congress

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October 14, 2013

Ms. Courtney Avery
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Re: Project No. E 22-13, Affiliation between Methodist Health
Services Corporation & Proctor Health Care Incorporation (Proctor
Hospital)

Dear Courtney,

I am writing on behalf of HFN to express my strong support for the proposed affiliation between Methodist Health Services Corporation (“Methodist”) and Proctor Health Care Incorporation (“Proctor”).

It is our belief that the affiliation will result in measurable benefits to consumers and payers through quality improvements, development of new services, enhanced competition, efficiency enhancements and other potential cost savings. Further, this affiliation will not have a negative impact on our contracts or our clients access to services or care. The planned affiliation will maintain the community’s health care assets and preserve local access to providers and services at Proctor.

I respectfully encourage the Review Board to approve the Certificate of Exemption for the proposed affiliation between Methodist and Proctor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Liz Kerr". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Elizabeth N. Kerr
Vice President, Strategic Relationships
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