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February 3, 2011

Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator
IL Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson Street
Springfield, IL 62761

10-090

Re: Village Board Meeting of January 27, 2011

Dear Ms Avery:

At the January 27, 2011 Village Board meeting the Board of Trustees passed and approved Resolution (R)2011-01.05 – Resolution in Support of Approval of Centegra Hospital-Huntley. A certified copy of the resolution is included for your files.

Should you have any questions regarding the Village Board's action, please contact me at 847-515-5261.

Very truly yours,

Rita McMahon
Village Clerk

Enclosure

cc: David Johnson, Village Manager
Lisa Armour, Sr. Assistant to the Village Manager
Aaron Shepley, Sr. Vice President/Centegra Health Systems
Susan Milford, Vice President/Centegra Health Systems

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPROVAL
OF CENTEGRA HOSPITAL-HUNTLEY**

RESOLUTION (R)2011-01.05

WHEREAS, Centegra Health System has filed an application with the Health Facilities and Services Review Board (HFSRB) for approval of a Certificate of Need for the Construction of a Hospital in Huntley, Illinois (Project Number 10-090); and

WHEREAS, the Southern portion of McHenry County is the fastest growing region in McHenry County and the population of the Village of Huntley has more than tripled in the last ten years; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has identified the planning area in which McHenry County is located (planning area A-10) as one of only three planning areas in the entire State of Illinois that has a shortage of acute care hospital beds to serve the community, and

WHEREAS, the construction of a hospital in Huntley, Illinois will allow Centegra Health System to address the identified bed need in the area of McHenry County that needs it the most, based upon the rapid population growth in the area; and

WHEREAS, In addition to meeting the state's bed need for Health Planning Area A-10, Centegra's proposed hospital would serve Health Planning Area A-11, less than two miles to the south. According to State figures, this planning area (Northern Kane County) is the second of three areas in the State where additional hospital beds are needed. Therefore, two of the three planning areas in Illinois with identified hospital bed shortages would be served by Centegra Hospital - Huntley.

WHEREAS, the construction of a hospital in Huntley will result in the creation of approximately 1,100 new jobs in healthcare and as many as 800 jobs associated with the construction of the facility and will therefore greatly benefit the economy of McHenry County both directly through the creation of jobs but also indirectly through Centegra's reliance upon local providers of goods and services that are ancillary to health care; and

WHEREAS, Centegra has an existing health care campus in Huntley that has served the region through an immediate care center and other health care services and the construction of a hospital on this existing campus will result in an efficient use of limited health care resources of the community; and

WHEREAS, Centegra Health System has faithfully provided health care services to the residents of McHenry County for nearly one hundred years since the opening of Woodstock Hospital in 1914. During that time Centegra has collaborated with virtually every level of government from the County to Cities, Villages and Towns. Centegra has also supported other not-for-profit entities, service organizations, schools and other community groups. On the basis of this faithful service Centegra Health System has established itself as the best suited to provide the full-service hospital that is needed in Southern McHenry County; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Huntley is interested in ensuring the availability of quality healthcare to all its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Huntley has had the opportunity to collaborate with Centegra Health System in the development of a state-of-the-art Immediate Care Center, primary care physicians' office, and fitness center and believes that the proposed project will yield benefit, not only for the Village of Huntley, but for the entire region, and that Centegra is the best suited to serve the community through this project;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Huntley commends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Courtney Avery, the Administrator of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, 525 W. Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761

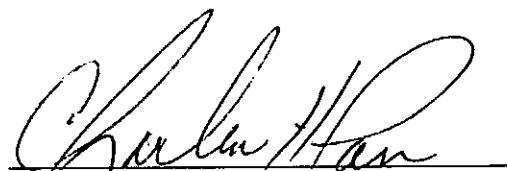
PASSED and APPROVED this 27th day of January, 2011.

AYE: Trustees Fender, Kadakia, Kanakaris, Mercer and Piwko
NAY: None
ABSENT: Trustee Leopold
ABSTAIN: None

ATTEST:


Village Clerk




Village President