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October 26, 2015

Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

Re: MercyRockford Application for Certificate of Need
Projects No.: 15-038, 15-039, and 15-040

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept the enclosed letters and petitions as the initial submission of the written comments from Rockford area citizens who are opposed to the above captioned projects for which MercyRockford (Interstate Alliance) has applied for Certificates of Need (CON).

We anticipate that a second submission will follow but wanted to ensure that the bulk of the letters and petitions were delivered to you prior to the deadline for written comments. Thank you for your time and consideration and please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Venita Hervey
City of Rockford -- 5th Ward Alderman
1527 Clifton Avenue
Rockford, Illinois 61102-3368
(815) 968-7682

Enclosures

Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson, 2nd floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Dear Ms. Avery,

I write this to you because I oppose MercyRockford's plan to open a new hospital on the East Side of Rockford, Project #15-039.

As an educator, I'm worried about the health and wellbeing of our kids. Recently we had a student who fell and hit his head. He was feeling unsteady. We had to take him to the emergency room. And, what happens if we have kids who have asthma attacks or falls on the playground.

We also have kids at our school who have epilepsy. We need to be able to get quick access to emergency services.

I don't want to see MercyRockford move the Level 1 Trauma Center to the East Side from thousands of West Side residents who need it most.

The East Side already has a hospital that has been serving the area for more than 100 years, OSF Saint Anthony. Along with SwedishAmerican, which serves central Rockford, OSF Saint Anthony and Rockford Memorial have been part of a perfect balance healthcare distribution in the area.

I ask that the Board maintain that balance and vote against MercyRockford's proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rhonda Robinson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rhonda Robinson
Rockford Resident

**OPPOSITION TO MERCYROCKFORD'S PROPOSED NEW HOSPITAL
PROJECTS #15-038 and #15-039**

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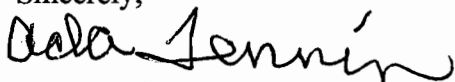
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Ada Tennin
114 Albert Avenue
Rockford, Illinois 61101

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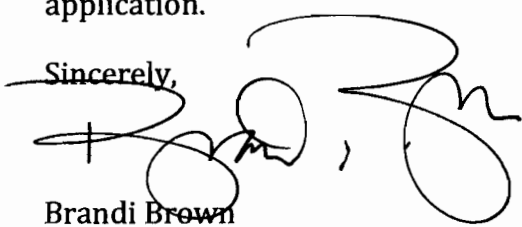
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Sincerely,



Brandi Brown

3001 School Street

Rockford, Illinois 61101

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Sincerely,



Sally Carter
310 Seventh Street, #913
Rockford, Illinois 61104

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**CITIZEN'S CONCERN REGARDING
MERCYROCKFORD'S PROPOSED NEW HOSPITAL
PROJECT NO. 15-039**

October 25, 2015

Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson, 2nd floor
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Re: MercyRockford Project #15-039

Dear Ms. Avery:

I write this letter to express my concerns regarding MercyRockford's plans to build a new hospital on the far East Side of Rockford which will prohibit access to life-threatening critical services for West Side residents.

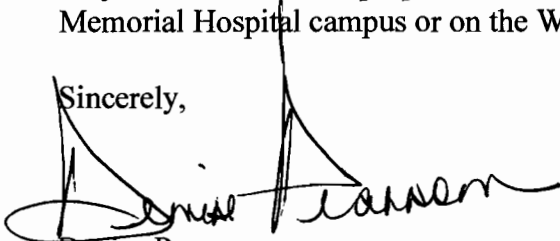
It has been determined that some services currently provided at Rockford Memorial Hospital will be discontinued. It is my opinion this decision will not be beneficial for residents currently served by Rockford Memorial Hospital.

Duplicated health care services which increase costs is one additional concern that, ultimately, ends up falling on the shoulders of taxpayers. And, removing potentially life-saving care from Rockford residents who already have difficulty accessing health care is unethical.

I strongly believe that hospitals should be built based on need and need alone.

I respectfully request that the Board require MercyRockford to resubmit the application for Project #15-039 with a proposal to build the same facility in the footprint of the current Rockford Memorial Hospital campus or on the West Side of Rockford where it is needed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denise Pearson", is written over a horizontal line.

Denise Pearson
1220 Ash Terrace
Rockford, Illinois 61102

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PROJECTS #15-038 and #15-039**

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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
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Re: Opposition to Projects #15-038 and #15-039

Dear Ms. Avery,

I oppose the construction of an additional hospital as proposed by MercyRockford.

Rockford has benefitted for years from an even distribution of hospitals and there is no need to upset that balance. Simply put, the East Side already has a hospital, OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center, which has served the community with distinction for more than 100 years. Additionally, OSF operates a Level One Trauma Center that would be within four miles of MercyRockford's proposed new hospital.

If the East Side has a hospital that is already meeting the needs of its residents, why would MercyRockford, a hospital that has a long history of serving the West Side, want to alter a healthcare distribution that has served the Rockford community and the entire region for decades? And, there certainly is no "need" to do so, contrary to the claims in MercyRockford's application.

I respectfully ask the Board to reject MercyRockford's unnecessary plans to open an additional facility.

Sincerely,



John Stanford, Jr.

3206 Lyons Avenue

Rockford, Illinois 61114

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Sincerely,

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

Linda Harris
3332 Sunnyside Avenue
Rockford, Illinois 61101

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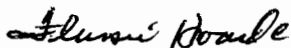
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701 Miriam Avenue

Rockford, IL 61101

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Re: MercyRockford Project No. 15-039

Dear Ms. Avery,

I oppose MercyRockford's plans to open a new campus on the far East Side. The \$400 million plus MercyRockford plans to spend on a new hospital would do a tremendous amount of good on the West Side, helping to combat poverty and neighborhood decline by providing new jobs and an updated infrastructure.

Rockford Memorial Hospital has been serving the West Side for more than 100 years. In turn, residents of the West Side have supported the hospital. That kind of reciprocal support is what being a good neighbor is all about, and the kind of relationship health care providers should strive for.

MercyRockford should recognize and be responsive to citizens' long time commitment to Rockford Memorial Hospital, and ongoing need for access to full health care services, and build the new hospital on the West Side.

I ask that the Board consider West Side residents need for trauma, critical care, and general healthcare services and deny MercyRockford's application for the new hospital.

Thank you for considering my opinion.

Regards,

Richard Robinson III
1149 Railroad Avenue
Rockford, IL 61104

Richard Robinson III

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Patricia Ashford

3201 Gilbert #208

Rockford, Illinois 61101

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MercyRockford's proposed plans threaten the health, safety and well-being of the entire West Side of Rockford.

Therefore, we oppose MercyRockford's proposal to build a new hospital on the East Side and respectfully ask the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to VOTE NO and deny this Certificate of Need application.

NAME	ADDRESS
Robin DeBenedetto	4967 Cardamon Ln, City
Brian DeBenedetto	4967 Cardamon Ln, City
Alice Sutherland	534 Gold River Ave RktD
Jennifer Sutherland	319 Gold River Ave RktD
Roni Paravala	4710 Spring Creek Rd 61114
Joe Parggala	"
Greg Sloz	3077 S. Weldon Rd RktD 61102
Mark	165 Elm Park St RktD
Jo Nargo	5104 Orchard Ave. RktD.
Antonio Tarcia	904 Lundvall Ave RktD.
Anna Mirabile	631 Trenton Ave Rockford IL
Marco Gmina	12850 Edge Waterpointe Winnebago IL
Leo Dimrowski	6231 Green Needle Lombard
A Antezak	451 S. SRIEMANN RD 61063

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Martin Viveiros	3017 Jean St Rfd
Vickie Dombrowski	6231 Green Needle Dr LP
Shirley Nelson	4593 Pepper Ct, Rockford, IL
DAVE WAGAMAN	1527 Aragona DR ROCKFORD IL
Debbie Zander	5579 Vipple Rd. Rfd, IL
Cal Sepor	1018 ANNE DR 61108
Eileen Leggero	1513 Aragona DR. Rfd
Jan Yagle	310 Olive Rockford
Laura Orr	1318 Clifton Ave Rockford
Steven Hendrickson	4529 Hitching Post Trail, Rfd 61101
Ann Gou	1501 Clifton Ave Rfd 61102
John and Darlene	221 Memorial Ave
Darlene Loh	1501 Clifton Ave Rockford IL 61102
Annika Williams	

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Michael Sather	1703 Carney Ar. Rkfd 61103
Chris Cesari	403 Welty Ave. Rkfd 61107
PEGGY LASPARINI	10334 Fish Hatchery Pk. IL 61063
Jason G Viveros	3364 Pelley Rd Rockford, IL 61602
Maria P Viveros	" "
Joe Gomez	4025 Sovereign BLVD 61608
Rigo Lugo	1910 Homewood Dr. Rkfd
Denise Conbe	4480 Clover Crest Ave. Rkfd 61109
Boboloy Noble	2223 LAUREL ST Rockford
Benny Sanchez	809 809 Ferguson St Rockford
Roberto Viveros	3364 Pelley Rd Rkfd
Su Waverly	1316 Blake St. Rkfd.
William Wargo	5104 ORCHARD AVE / RKFED

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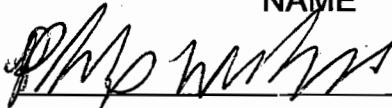
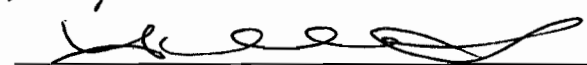
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**HEALTH FACILITIES &
SERVICES REVIEW BOARD**

October 26, 2015

Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson, 2nd floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Trauma Presentation for Project #15-038 and Project #15-039

Dear Ms. Avery,

As one of the architects of the Chicago Trauma Network and former head of the trauma service at Advocate Christ Medical Center in Oak Lawn, I have worked for decades to impress on communities the importance of maintaining an organized trauma system.

Enclosed are slides from a presentation I was recently asked to give to Rockford residents concerned about MercyRockford's plan to move its Level 1 Trauma Center out of Rockford's West Side.

Titled "Trauma Systems: Right patient to the right place at the right time," the presentation defines Level I Trauma Centers and emergency rooms, notes key distinctions between the two, considers the current state of the Region 1 trauma system and assesses how it can be improved.

I was invited to help educate residents from the West Side of Rockford about how trauma care is set up now in Rockford and how it could change if MercyRockford's proposal is approved by the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board.

As I prepared for this presentation and reviewed the applications, I found significant concerns that must be addressed before any decisions are made on these projects. Critical questions to answer include:

1. Will moving trauma care further east adversely impact trauma outcomes?
2. What is the impact on western sections of the region (e.g., Seward, Pecatonica)?
3. Has the Region 1 Trauma/EMS Committee weighed in on this?

Sinai Health System:

■ Mount Sinai Hospital ■ Schwab Rehabilitation Hospital ■ Sinai Community Institute ■ Sinai Medical Group
■ Affiliate: Access Community Health Network ■ Affiliate of the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago

4. What are the additional expenses related to this for infrastructure improvements in Region 1?

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary J. Merlotti" followed by a stylized flourish.

Gary J. Merlotti, MD

Chairman of the Department of Surgery at Sinai Health System

TRAUMA SYSTEMS

Right patient to the right place in the
right time

TRAUMA SYSTEMS

- ▣ First trauma center in the world established at Cook County Hospital in 1966
- ▣ First trauma system in the world established in Illinois in 1971
 - Architect was Dr. David Boyd
 - Centers designated by a committee without a verification visit
 - No legislative mandate for patients to be taken to specific centers

TRAUMA SYSTEMS

- ▣ Current Illinois trauma system established in 1989
- ▣ Patients mandated to go to specific center based on
 - ▣ Level of injury
 - ▣ Geographic location relative to trauma centers
 - ▣ Regional (local) protocols
- ▣ Centers designated after verification visits by IDPH

TRAUMA SYSTEMS

- ▣ Estimated up to 50% of trauma deaths that occur are preventable in absence of a trauma network
- ▣ Trauma systems reduce preventable trauma deaths to 5%
- ▣ Goals of an organized trauma system
 - ▣ Elimination of preventable deaths
 - ▣ Return patient to home in best possible functional state

RIGHT PATIENT

- ▣ Mandatory field triage criteria determined by IDPH (ACS)
- ▣ Modified at local level by Trauma/EMS Committee
- ▣ In Region I about 2500 - 3000 trauma admissions/year
- ▣ No differential criteria - patient meeting triage criteria goes to nearest trauma center

RIGHT PATIENT

- ▣ Criteria may be physiologic, anatomic or mechanism
- ▣ Physiologic refers to alterations in vital signs (abnormal BP, HR, GCS)
- ▣ Anatomic means specific location of injury (penetrating torso trauma, near or total amputations, spinal cord deficit)
- ▣ Mechanism indicates high energy incident (MVC $\geq$ 30 MPH, fall $\geq$ 20 feet, etc.)

RIGHT PLACE

- ▣ Trauma centers are staffed and equipped to meet the needs of trauma patients
- ▣ Level I centers can initiate surgery on a minute's notice
 - ▣ Inhouse trauma surgeon
 - ▣ Inhouse anesthesiologist
 - ▣ Inhouse operating room personnel
 - ▣ Variety of surgical specialists available in a timely fashion

RIGHT PLACE

- ▣ Level II centers can initiate surgery in an acceptable time frame
 - ▣ Inhouse emergency medicine physicians
 - ▣ Trauma surgeon, anesthesiology, operating room personnel available in 30 minute time frame from home

RIGHT TIME

- ▣ **Ideal trauma system does not direct EMS on destination for patients**
 - ▣ Is patient seriously injured enough to require a trauma center
 - ▣ Field personnel determine which center they can get to the fastest
 - ▣ Bypassing non-designated hospitals results in longer transports but improved outcomes

RIGHT TIME

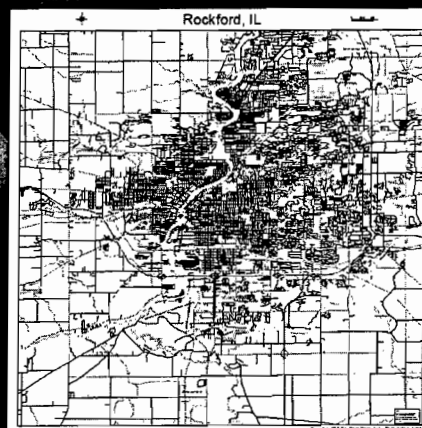
- ▣ **Unknown if there is a transport time that eliminates the advantage of bypassing nearest hospital**
 - ▣ Length of time at which outcomes begin to deteriorate is unknown
 - ▣ Northwestern study showed 15% higher mortality rate with torso gunshot wound in shock that were more than 5 miles from trauma center - THIS HAS NOT BEEN DUPLICATED!

RIGHT TIME

- ▣ Logic says the longer it takes you to get to definitive treatment the worse your outcome should be
- ▣ The key determinant in trauma outcomes is the amount of time to control life-threatening injuries (i.e., time to surgical intervention)

REGION I QUESTIONS

- ▣ Will moving trauma care further east adversely impact trauma outcomes?
 - ▣ Difference in transport times 10 minutes by ground and 3 minutes by air
 - ▣ Need location of trauma incidents, mode of transport and travel times



SUMMARY

- ▣ Unique aspect of Illinois Trauma System is regional control
- ▣ Quality care can only be delivered with a coordinated trauma network and agreement on the part of all key stakeholders
- ▣ Ultimate goal is saving lives and preventing disability

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October 19, 2015

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Re: CON Applications 15-038, 15-039, and 15-040

Dear Ms. Avery and Board Members:

Having served on the Board of Directors for Crusader Clinic (FQHC serving the uninsured and under-insured of the Rock River Valley) for 6 years and as Chair of the Board for 2 years, I am well aware of the needs of the patient population of the west side of Rockford, including the area around Rockford Memorial Hospital. Based on that experience, my own background as a Corporate VP of Trinity (now Trinity-Unity Point) Health System in the Quad Cities, and my review of the applications noted above, I have the following grave concerns about the potential consequences of granting the above referenced CON's.

1. The establishment of the Riverside hospital site would make it the 4th full service hospital in the Winnebago/Boone county area. Even though its addition would reduce the total number of beds available in the region, it would still represent a duplication of services and the overhead cost of equipment and personnel to provide them. It seems to me that this scenario would defeat any good that could come from increased competition among the local providers.

2. The move of OB, Pediatrics, cancer treatment, cardiac care, the NICU, and the trauma center to the extreme eastern edge of the county will place an additional burden on both Swedish American and OSF-St. Anthony hospitals. Their geographic proximity would lead many of patients from the west side to seek such services at either of the nearer facilities. Many of these patients are either uninsured or on Medicaid. Swedish American, in particular, already has a high percentage of Medicaid patients. With the reimbursement rate as low and as slow as it is, additional patients in this category will further challenge the cash flow position of Swedes. Further, transportation for persons to the East Riverside site would be difficult for both patients and families. The same could be said for

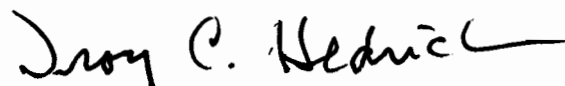
patients needing cardiac services, the NICU, or trauma services which are also to be transferred to the Riverside campus.

3. I question the need for a level I Trauma Center at the Riverside Campus. (Given the population base and with the fact that such services are currently available at OSF-St. Anthony's, two such centers are not needed in the area.) If there is a need, the rate of violence on the west side of Rockford would suggest that the retention of the Rockton site would be the more appropriate location for such services.

4. Finally, having gone through a process of consolidation of services in the Quad Cities (again because of a merger of health systems), I do not believe that it will be possible for Mercy Rockford to maintain two campuses that provide basic inpatient services. The cost of equipment and personnel militate against such duplication. If and when this happens, the west side of Rockford will again be the loser.

For these reasons, I wish to register my opposition to the granting of the Certificates of Need for which Rockford Mercy Health System has applied.

Peace be with you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Troy C. Hedrick" with a stylized flourish at the end.

The Rev. Troy C. Hedrick