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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

525 West Jefferson Street

Springfield, Illinois 62761

ATTN: Courtney R. Avery

This is an add-on to the paperwork I sent already to you.

There are some questions on the application that has been filed by Loyola/Palos Medical Hospitals.

They are as follows:

1. Why was it not mentioned that there is a building already standing on the land for over 15 years in the area where the expansion is proposed?
2. Why was it not mentioned that behind this Fitness Center there is ample property available to expand and incorporate the current structure with the proposed application?
3. When you go into the Trinity Health Services web-site (which purchases all types of religious hospitals and health facilities) and enter "Illinois/Chicago" hospitals, the first one shows Loyola Medical Center? Why was Trinity Health Services not mentioned as having a knowledge of this issue on the application?

There are too many discrepancies on the application that need to be replied to before any approval should be given on this issue.

Sincerely,



Melanie F. Mobeck

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March 1, 2016

Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator  
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**Re: Opposed to Palos Hospital South Campus Expansion, Project 16-001**

Dear Ms. Avery,

I am a member of Palos Health and Fitness Center, and I oppose the Palos Hospital South Campus Expansion. The Palos Health and Fitness Center, which will be destroyed to build the South Campus is extremely important to many groups in our area. At the Center, one can find help and rehabilitation for MS, Parkinson's Disease, cardiac rehab, and arthritis. It also helps people like me—a mom suffering from an injury. If the Center is closed, it will hurt many. There must be another solution to the expansion of Palos Hospital South Campus without the demolition of the Palos Health and Fitness Center.

Two years ago, I picked up my 2 year-old son. It was life changing. A doctor diagnosed me with rotator cuff tears. After one year of unsuccessful land therapy, I still could not lift either my left or right arm. I could not care for or play with my growing son. I sought additional doctors' help. One doctor wanted to shave my arm bones. Another wanted to shave my clavicle. Another, thankfully, referred me to Palos Health and Fitness Center for aqua therapy in their warm water therapy pool. After a lot of hard work in the therapy pool, I have full range of motion, am able to care for my 4 year-old son, and avoided evasive, unnecessary surgeries. The success of my rehabilitation is a result of the therapy in the Center's warm water therapy pool.

Ms. Avery, the closing and the demolition of Palos Health and Fitness Center to expand Palos Hospital's South Campus will be life changing for many that are actively trying to improve their health and quality of life. It will displace loyal members. There is no other facility available that offers the uniqueness of the Palos Health and Fitness Center. We have nowhere else to go. Therefore, I strongly oppose Palos Hospital South Campus Expansion if the expansion includes the demolition of the Palos Health and Fitness Center. Thank you for listening.

Best regards,



Michele Brandow

Feb. 17, 2016

Edward George Nassar  
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Dear Mayor of Orland Park, + Ms Avery

Re: Opposition of Palos Hospital South Commons Expansion

I was very ~~upset~~ and saddened by the news Palos Health and Fitness Center may close.

I credit this facility and staff with my good rehab, status and good mental health. About several months after surgery to @ below knee amputation, the leg was fitted with a prosthetic leg. This meant one had to strengthen my body to walk all over again. My medical status will need strength training for a long time.

It was encouraging and helped me from becoming depressed by joining this health organization. The staff, workout machines, large airy facility, pool and especially the friendly people were wonderful.

Please keep the Palos Fitness Center open, it's my life line, and there's no other place for me to attend.

Sincerely,

Edward George Nassar

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