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Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator
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525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

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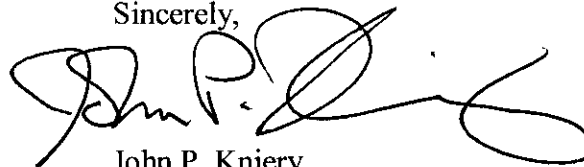
Re: Project No. 17-043

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept the enclosed support letter from the Village of Romeoville, Illinois's Village Manager for the above referenced project.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



John P. Kniery
Health Care Consultant

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September 24, 2018

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- Support for project 17-043, DaVita Romeoville Dialysis

Dear Ms. Avery and Members of the Review Board:

I am writing to endorse the Certificate of Need applied for by DaVita Romeoville Dialysis (project 17-043).

As the village manager for Romeoville, I know there is a significant demand for dialysis services in our community. The data demonstrates an acute need for expanded dialysis stations in northeastern Will County, namely Romeoville, where this planned clinic would be located. As a matter of fact, we currently have no dialysis facilities within the village.

Based upon the local usage rate at the end of 2017, there is a need for 30 additional dialysis stations within the 30 minute geographic service area of Romeoville Dialysis. Plus, the growth rate of ESRD patients in our area far outpaces growth of ESRD patients in the State of Illinois. In the last four years, the proposed Romeoville clinic's geographic service area experienced 32% growth, meaning that there were 323 new patients in the clinics in the local area.

Please vote yes on a Certificate of Need for DaVita Romeoville Dialysis.

Respectfully,

Steve Gulden
Romeoville Village Manager