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HEALTH FACILITIES & SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

September 11, 2017

Dear Ms. Avery,

On behalf of Lemont Center Nursing and Rehabilitation, we would like to voice opposition of the proposed new skilled nursing facility addition to be built in Orland Park, Smith Crossing of Orland Park, project number 17-044.

Lemont Center Nursing and Rehabilitation is a 158 bed skilled nursing facility located in Lemont, IL, or approximately 12.4 miles away from the proposed new skilled nursing facility addition. Lemont Center Nursing and Rehabilitation was built in 1995, and relies upon Silver Cross Hospital as a main source of clientele. Between January 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017, Silver Cross referred 432 patients to Lemont Center. Lemont Center Nursing and Rehabilitation was able to admit almost half of those referrals. In 2015, Lemont Center Nursing and Rehabilitation had an average census of 139, or 87.9% occupancy. In 2016, Lemont Center Nursing and Rehabilitation had an average census of 136, or 86.1% occupancy. To date, in 2017, Lemont Center Nursing and Rehabilitation has had an average census of 135, or 85.4% occupancy.

Clearly, Lemont Center Nursing and Rehabilitation, on average, has beds available. This proposed addition would have a detrimental effect on a facility that has been established in the community for 30 years. The surrounding community relies upon us to provide consistent, quality care to its residents.

Please reconsider approving this project. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Niki Mehta, MSW, LNHA

Administrator