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Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator  
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525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor  
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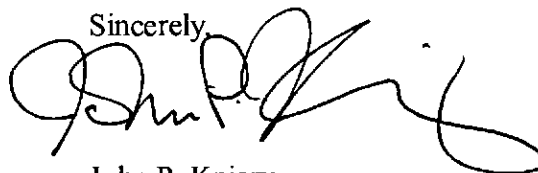
**Re: Project No. 17-044, Smith Crossing**

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept the enclosed letter of support from Margo McDermed, Illinois State Representative, for the above referenced project.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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**Margo McDermed**  
State Representative • 37th District

August 17, 2017

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
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RE: Letter of Support for Smith Crossing in Orland Park

To Whom It May Concern:

Smith Crossing is proposing the addition of a new short-term stay rehabilitation center on its campus in Orland Park, Illinois. Smith Crossing currently has 16 beds dedicated to short-term stay rehab patients. I understand that the new facility will provide a second state-of-the-art wing with an additional 46 dedicated rehab beds, increasing its capacity to 62 in total. It is with my constituents' interests in mind that I write to let you know that I fully support this proposal.

Silver Cross Hospital, which is in my district, referred 839 patients to Smith Crossing between January 2016 and June 2017. Due to its limited availability of 16 beds dedicated to rehab, Smith Crossing could accept only 170 patients, requiring 669 others to seek rehabilitation services at their second or third choices.

I urge you to approve Smith Crossings addition of a new short-term stay rehabilitation center on its campus in Orland Park, Illinois.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Margo McDermed". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Margo McDermed  
State Representative  
37th Legislative District  
IL House of Representatives

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