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HEALTH FACILITIES & SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

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

Re: Project No. 17-044, Smith Crossing

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept the enclosed letter of support from Lawrence M. Walsh, Will County Executive, for the above referenced project.

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

Sincerely,

John P. Kniery

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Enclosure





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Lawrence M. Walsh

Will County Executive

August 7, 2017

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor Springfield, IL 62761 RE: Smith Crossing in Orland Park

Dear Board Members:

I am writing in support of Smith Crossing's request to build a short-term stay rehabilitation center on its campus in Orland Park. Smith Crossing has been an excellent addition to continuum of the health care in Will County.

As the fourth largest county in Illinois, it is important Will County has quality housing for all sectors of our population. Smith Crossing has provided a variety of comfortable living options for our residents 62 and older in our area for more than 10 years. The addition of this short term rehabilitation facility will ensure our residents can stay near their family and friends, even if their level of care needs change.

As the median age of our population continues to rise, so will the need for care facilities such as this short term rehabilitation center to allow our residents to stay close to home. Family support and encouragement are clearly important factors in one's rehabilitation. And this facility, in our area will make it easier for family to be near and support their loved ones.

Please consider this request from Smith Crossing to build a state of the art, short term rehabilitation center on its campus. The important services this center will offer will benefit residents from the entire region who require this level of care. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lawrence M. Walsh Will County Executive

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