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~ 1 Peter 3:15

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8:15 a.m. Worship
9:15 a.m. - coffee time
9:30 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 a.m. - coffee time
10:45 a.m. Worship
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**HEALTH FACILITIES &
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Ms. Kathryn J. Olson, Chair
Illinois Health Facilities and
Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

26 March 2018

Re: Northgrove Dialysis (Proj. No. 17-049)

Dear Ms. Olson:

As a stakeholder in the Highland community, I want to see our town remain vital for years to come. Highland has a vibrant business sector and entrepreneurial spirit. However, like many smaller communities in the state, our population is aging and many residents need ongoing access to health care services.

We have a hospital in Highland, and one area of treatment that is becoming increasingly important for some of our citizens – particularly our seniors and chronically ill residents – is kidney care services. We have a provider that is willing to bring these services to our community with the establishment of a small dialysis clinic: Northgrove Dialysis.

Having a dialysis clinic in town will avoid the long trips that Highland kidney patients have to take three times a week to receive treatment. It will also help to keep our residents grounded, because some may otherwise consider moving out of town to be closer to a treatment facility.

We support DaVita in its efforts to bring this service to Highland and I ask that the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board approve the proposed clinic.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Beverly L. Wilkes-Null".

Beverly L. Wilkes-Null, Pastor

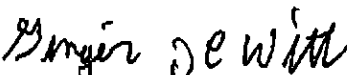
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Ginger Dewitt
P.O. Box 144
Saint Jacob, IL 62281

Northgrove Dialysis – Project Number 17-049

My name is Ginger Dewitt and I am writing in support to have a Davita Clinic open up in Highland, IL. I currently travel one way 30 minutes to my current dialysis clinic in Maryville, IL. I have to utilize the Madison County Transportation System for my dialysis travel. Travel time and the cost of the bus are both hardships for me and my family. I also want to share that I am blind. I utilize a wheeled walker, but I rely on the staff at the dialysis clinic and the bus system to guide me directionally. This is a particular concern for me when having to rely on new bus drivers that do not know my disability and needs. If a Davita Clinic would open in Highland I would be only 5 minutes from the clinic, and I could utilize family or local transportation systems that I am more familiar with. I have been a patient of Davita's since 2011 and only want to see the same great service for my local community.

Thank you


Ginger Dewitt

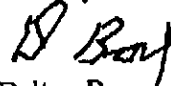
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Dalton Box
25A Crimson CT
Highland, IL 62249

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My name is Dalton Box and I am currently a dialysis patient at the Maryville Dialysis Clinic. I am a resident of Highland IL, and opening a Davita Clinic in my hometown would benefit me greatly. This would help out with burdens of travel time and the cost for bus transportation three times per week. Travel time one way is 30 minutes to the treatment center alone that is one hour, three times a week just on travel time. I have to utilize the Madison County Transportation System for my dialysis transportation. The bus is a great community resource, now add time that I have to wait for the bus to pick me up from home and from the dialysis clinics. They have a window of 2 hours to pick someone up and at times I have had to wait over an hour after my treatment for the bus to take me home. Waiting for a bus is not something I want to do after treatment and a Highland Clinic would help. Also, the cost to ride the bus is \$4 each way that averages to a monthly cost of \$96. Having a clinic that is five minutes away would eliminate the worry about travel time, the cost of utilizing the bus, and most importantly give me back time that I can be spending with my family.

Thank you for your consideration


Dalton Box

March 15, 2018

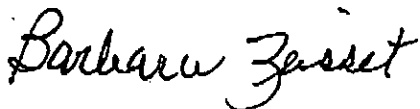
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Subject: Northgrove Dialysis – Project Number 17-049

Dear Ms. Olson,

I am the spouse of a patient who currently receives dialysis at the DaVita Edwardsville clinic 3 days per week. We currently have to go to Barnes Hospital in St. Louis, MO for multiple medical appointments, as well as travel to Edwardsville for dialysis. Our time is limited, and we are currently driving 30 minutes one way to get to dialysis. By DaVita opening up a clinic in Highland, it will give us back 3 hours per week to care for the other medical concerns we are facing. Along with freeing up our time, it will also save us on the cost of gas/travel to get to and from our appointments. We have been pleased with the care we receive at DaVita, and wish to continue our dialysis with this company in a location closer to our home.

Thank you for your time,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Zelsset".

Mrs. Bernard Zelsset
2106 Saint Michael CT S
Highland, IL 62249-2345

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Sarah Coleman
1330 Daffodil LN Apt 4
Highland, IL 62249
Northgrove Dialysis – Project Number 17-049

My name is Sarah Coleman and I am writing in support for a new Davita Clinic in my town Highland, IL. Having a clinic minutes away would alleviate several burdens that I have to deal with three times per week at present time. I am a patient at the Maryville Dialysis Clinic, which means I am spending 1 hour of my day traveling to and from treatment on top of my actual 3 1/2 hour dialysis treatment time. Having a closer clinic would impact my daily schedule with my family in a huge way. Currently I am on a tight time frame on my dialysis days when I can complete treatments factoring in travel time and treatment time. I am a young mother of 3 small children that I have to make breakfast and get ready for school. Then I get home and rest after my dialysis treatment for a while, then go get my children from the bus stop to then begin our evening chores. Time is something precious to me, in which a closer clinic would give me back time to be with my family.

Thank you for your consideration


Sarah Coleman

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Sheri Potts
522 White Ave
Greenville, IL 62246

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My name is Sheri Potts and I recently started on dialysis late November 2017. I have been very impressed with the care I get from my dialysis center and Nephrologist. I live in Greenville, IL, and go to the Maryville Dialysis Clinic. Travel time one way is about 1 hour. The clinic staff discussed when I first started about going to a different non Davita facility that is closer to help with travel time and fuel cost for my car. I refused due to I wanted to stay with Davita and my Nephrologist. I would go to a Davita clinic in Highland because I know that I would receive the best patient care.

Thank you



Sheri Potts

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Cindy Bartlett
2 IL Route 140
Pocahontas, IL 62275

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My name is Cindy Bartlett and I am writing in support for a new Davita Clinic in Highland, IL. I am currently a patient at the Maryville Dialysis center and travel 45 minutes one way for my dialysis treatments. Having a Dialysis clinic in Highland, IL would mean a travel time of only 15 minutes one way compared to 45 minutes. This would also help out with the cost of gasoline for my vehicle by over half. During a short time in a rehab facility after a hospitalization back in 2016, I was sent to another dialysis facility during my stay (to accommodate the Rehab's van driver's schedule). Davita Dialysis by far has higher standards and I would only recommend their care to anyone.

Thank you

Cindy Bartlett

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Joyce Carey
85 Suppiger Ln Apt 11
Highland, IL 62249

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My name is Joyce Carey and I am writing in support for a new Davita Clinic in Highland, IL. I am currently a patient at the Maryville Dialysis center and travel 30 minutes one way for my dialysis treatments. Having a Dialysis clinic in Highland, IL would mean a travel time of only a few minutes. I try to remain as independent as I can and prefer to drive myself to my dialysis treatments. My family worries about me driving after dialysis, so most times my daughter Bobbie and her husband provide the transportation. Often my daughter and I do not see on the same page and get into arguments over my transportation and my best interests. If a clinic was only a few minutes away it would allow me to continue being independent and give my family a piece of mind.

Thank you

Joyce Carey *Bobbie C. Crouch*
Joyce Carey and Daughter Bobbie Crouch

DaVita Dialysis
2102 Wadlabene Dr., Ste 1
Maryville, IL 62062

Subject: DaVita Facilities

Attn: Mary Martin

Dear Ms. Martin,

Our mother, Verna Abert travels via public transportation from Highland, IL to DaVita's Maryville facility for a 3 hour dialysis 3 times a week. She has been reluctant to continue her dialysis because she is very cold and it is taking 7 to 8 hours each time to accomplish her treatment.

We have been told there is a possibility of another DaVita facility that might be constructed in Highland, IL. This would be great for our mom's quality of life since her away time could be cut in half. We would really appreciate a DaVita location closer to mom's nursing care facility.

Thank you,
Abert Family