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October 16, 2018

Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
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Dear Ms. Avery:

I am honored to offer my support of re-establishing the heart transplant program at OSF HealthCare Saint Francis Medical Center.

My constituents and I know that OSF HealthCare has worked to make a difference in the community through compassionate care, exceptional clinical and educational programs, highly qualified physicians and staff, as well as providing comprehensive community benefit programs. These services ensure patients are cared for across the continuum. This work has had an impact not just in the Peoria community, but throughout the state of Illinois as well.

Your staff is dedicated to improving population health and the well-being of those who live in downstate Illinois by providing the highest level of quality care possible, while promoting ease of access to that care. OSF HealthCare's Cardiovascular Institute exhibits a dedication to patients that should serve as an example for other hospital systems around our great state.

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I have every reason to believe that re-establishing the heart transplant program at OSF HealthCare Saint Francis Medical Center will further this dedication to quality care, as well as provide job opportunities and economic growth. The ability to provide that high quality care close to home, increasing access for patients and families across downstate Illinois, is an opportunity I am personally excited about. I hope you are as well.

Best of luck in all your endeavors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chuck Weaver". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Chuck Weaver

State Senator, 37<sup>th</sup> District

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