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HEALTH FACILITIES &
SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

Ms. Courtney R. Avery
Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities & Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson, 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL

Re: Opposition to CON 18-042, Quincy Medical
Group Surgery Ctr. in Quincy, Illinois

Dear Ms. Avery,

My name is Jenn Shalcoth and I'm currently
a manager for an Employer Clinic in Quincy, IL.
I have been a healthcare professional for over
18 years. I'm writing to you to express my
opposition to the above-mentioned CON project.

I'm opposed to this project because of the creation
of duplication of services which is unnecessary
for a community of this size. The current
Surgery Center and Cardiac Cath Lab currently
has capacity to serve the patients of Quincy and
the surrounding tri-state area. I'm also
opposed to the for-profit organization not
based in the community opening services that
already exist to funnel those dollars away
from Quincy to their corporate entity in Iowa.
Currently, QMC doesn't even have an interventional
cardiologist at their medical practice and
sending patients to St. Louis instead of using

services available in our community. This competition will not lead to lower expense but increased costs and reducing the resources that Blessing provides to the community. As an organization, Blessing provided over \$6 million in charity care to our patients in the region, which the need increasing every year.

I respectfully ask that the Health Facilities and Services Review Board deny CON application 18-042. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Jenn Tallcott

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Manager, Employer Clinic

Blessing Physician Svs.