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**HEALTH FACILITIES &
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Ms. Courtney R. Avery
Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson, 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

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

Dear Ms. Avery:

My name is Kerensa Russel and I am a Patient Access Rep at Blessing Hospital. I am writing in regards to my objection to the above proposed project.

As has been stated by Ms. Kahn and others, I feel this center would be a redundancy as Quincy already has a surgical center and its creation will cause more job loss than it will create. It will also cut into the funds that Blessing uses to give medical help to those in need as well as other donations Blessing contributes to Quincy. In addition, the financial layout given by QMG does not seem to be financially sound. It is my understanding that they attempted something like this in the past and ended up closing due to lack of funds. The other aspect that concerns me is from a medical stand point: what happens if a patient codes during a cath procedure? They would lose precious time in transportation instead of having proper staff in the same building, ready to act. I feel this is a huge health concern.

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

Respectfully,



Kerensa Russel