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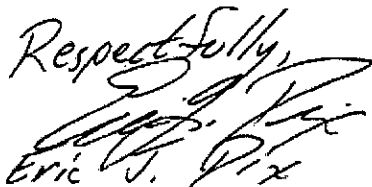
RE: Opposition to CON 18-042, Quincy
Medical Group Surgery Center in Quincy, IL

Dear Ms Avery:

My name is Eric J. Pix. I am the Director of Laboratory Services at Blessing Hospital in Quincy, IL. I am writing to voice my opposition to CON 18-042, Quincy Medical Group Surgery Center in Quincy, IL.

If Quincy Medical Group builds the proposed surgery center in Quincy, the duplication of surgical services without bringing in patients from outside the area that would generate additional revenue will only raise the costs of providing those services in the community. This will force the existing healthcare facilities to absorb the higher costs, thereby diverting funds that are currently being put back into the community through charitable care and healthcare cost reductions.

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

Respectfully,

Eric J. Pix