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SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

Ms. Courtney R. Avery
Administrator

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
505 West Jefferson 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Dear Ms. Avery,

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

My name is Kayla Witter, employee of the Blessing Health System and ~~citizen~~ of the tri-state area near Quincy, IL. I oppose the above project.

It is very discouraging to see that Quincy Medical Group is looking to duplicate a service that is already offered in the community. If you have ever traveled through the Quincy area you will see that the area businesses are dwindling. If this is awarded this will greatly impact the community in a negative light, as these services are already offered. ~~It is a great need for the community~~ while it is important for patients to have choices for healthcare, this is going to raise prices instead of decrease them. In addition to this there aren't more people moving to the community, the need is not there. Working in a rural health clinic, the impact Blessing Health has on our patients is great. Many of our patients have a great need, without insurance and Blessing fills that void for them, because they deserve quality care. I respectfully ask the Health Facilities and Services Review Board deny CON application 18-042, Quincy Medical Group Surgery Center. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Kayla Witter

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