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HEALTH FACILITIES & SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

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Courtney Avery, Administrator Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 West Jefferson Street (2nd Floor) Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Request for Public Hearing

Dear Ms. Avery:

Quincy Medical Group requests a public hearing for Project 19-029, Blessing Hospital ASTC, not as an indication of an intent to oppose Blessing's project, but rather due to QMG's desire to learn more about it and to establish a forum through which QMG and the public can engage with Blessing in continued conversation.

Throughout our own CON experience, we enjoyed engaging with community members, patients, employers, local healthcare providers and others. We learned so much from so many and it has helped us set the direction for our future. We want to continue with that commitment and if knowledge is power we want our community empowered with accurate information. The public hearing allows everyone to be educated and all voices to be heard.

Sincerely,

Carol Brockmiller, CEO

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