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Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Springfield, IL 62761

Dear Ms. Avery,

In a twenty-year career all over the US, I've never seen such an incredible champion of community and shining example of healthcare corporate citizenship, as the Blessing Health System (BHS).

The United Way-BHS relationship spans over seven decades, once a recipient of United Way funding in the 1940's, and BHS now supports and uplifts our vital work in the community in a multitude of ways.

From six-figure investments as a pacesetter in our campaign to the critical and strategic support of our annual community assessment process. That vital process, with both local primary and secondary data – truly allows our community to concisely target and address our its greatest challenges in the areas of: healthcare, well-being, dental care, obesity and behavioral health.

In addition to dollars, BHS's team comes out annually for our 'Day of Caring' event, and puts in sweat equity on a variety of projects that directly support local charities in our partner agency network.

BHS also supplies leadership to United Way's most important governance bodies and committees. Maureen Kahn, CEO, is on our Campaign Leadership Cabinet. Tim Moore is President-Elect for our Board. Chaka Jordan is a corporate Board member and leads our Promotions Committee. Julie Shephard is co-Chair of our Community Building Council. Dozens of other employees are highly involved in taskforces and committees.

BHS remains a vital and dynamic 'force for good' in our community and region. They are an inspiration and trusted support for tens of thousands of area residents. We are so very fortunate to have them serving our community.

Sincerely,

Todd Bale  
Executive Director

**To inspire, unite, and empower the people of Adams County to reach their full human potential.**