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**SUPPORT FOR CON 19-029  
RELOCATION AND MODERNIZATION OF EXISTING SURGERY  
CENTER  
BLESSING HOSPITAL IN QUINCY, IL  
PETITION SIGNED BY 120 QUINCY PHYSICIANS**

**SUBMITTED: AUGUST 26, 2019**

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July 30, 2019

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

Re: Support for CON of Blessing Hospital /Relocation and Modernization of Existing Surgery Center

Dear Ms. Avery:

As members of Blessing Physician Services, a 120 provider, multi-specialty, not-for-profit medical group, we write in support of the Certificate of Need application filed by Blessing Hospital to allow for the relocation and modernization of its existing ambulatory surgical treatment center in our city. The recent Review Board approval of a second surgery center in Quincy, and the new paradigm of competition in our local ASTC market, make it imperative that both facilities be fully allowed to compete in the market in updated and appropriately located buildings. We personally wish both surgery centers great success, and respectfully suggest that the existing Blessing ASTC should not have to compete in the market as a tenant in a building owned by its newly-approved competitor, and in an older facility that needs updating.

The Blessing CON application calls merely for the modernization of existing ORs and patient areas, adding no additional surgical capacity. It represents a less costly and more efficient alternative for the existing ASTC, in comparison to an indefinite lease arrangement, and will save Blessing significant sums over time. Finally it enables Blessing's not-for-profit ownership of the ASTC building, which will make the facility a community asset. Blessing has been in our community for 144 years and has demonstrated excellence in stewardship of community resources which provides services to Adams, Pike, Hamilton and Brown counties.

We appreciate the Review Board giving consideration of our support for this CON application, for the reasons stated above.

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Sincerely,

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