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HEALTH FACILITIES & SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 W. Jefferson St. Second Floor Springfield, IL 62761

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to lend my support to, Metroeast Endoscopic Surgery Center, (MESC) for the addition of Orthopedic Surgery at their facility. I would like the board to strongly consider this addition to the facility because as a patient of Center for Gastrointestinal Health and Metroeast Endoscopic Surgery Center, I firsthand can attest that this facility is providing excellent service to the people of Southern Illinois and the addition of this much needed subspecialty would be a welcome service for our area.

In addition to me being a patient, I have also served as a board member for a non-profit healthcare provider in the Metro East. I know firsthand the importance of having centers like MESC that provide and improve access to specialty services with excellent quality and cost efficiency.

Please accept my full support for this facility.

Yours truly,

Arthur Johnson