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**VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS**

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62761  
Attn: Mr. Michael Constantino

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**Re: CGH Medical Center, Sterling (Proj. No. 19-049)**

Dear Mr. Constantino:

This office represents CGH Medical Center and City of Sterling (collectively, the "Applicants"). In that capacity, we are submitting letters of support for CGH Medical Center, Sterling (Proj. No. 19-049) from the following:

- James Duffy, Chair, Whiteside County Board
- Everett Pannier, Mayor, City of Morrison

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments regarding the letters of support.

Sincerely,

Lynette Kelecich

Attachments

# CITY OF MORRISON

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November 13, 2019

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board

525 West Jefferson Street

Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Certificate of Need Application for CGH Medical Center

To Whom It May Concern

I am writing this letter in support of CGH Medical Center's certificate of need application to open a behavioral health unit in Sterling, Illinois.

The City of Morrison, located approximately 15 miles west of Sterling, has some excellent health care facilities but does not have easy access to behavioral health care. Today, most of our patients who require behavioral care must be transferred to the Chicago or Rockford areas which are anywhere from 90 minutes to two two hours away. This places a burden not only on the patient, but their families and caretakers who must transport them. Allowing CGH to open a behavioral unit would be a great asset to Morrison and the surrounding communities. We support them in their efforts.

As Mayor of Morrison, Illinois, I respectfully ask that you approve this application and allow CGH Medical Center to provide the services desperately needed for our area.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Everett Pannier', written over a horizontal line.

Everett Pannier

Mayor

Morrison, Illinois