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January 15, 2020

Ms. Debra Savage
Chairwoman, Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

RE: Mercyhealth Javon Bea Hospital – Rockton Avenue Campus' Cert. of Need Project 19-056

Dear Ms. Savage:

I represent the State of Illinois' 67th District, which includes Rockton Avenue in Rockford, Illinois, where Javon Bea Hospital has made application to establish a subacute care unit - CON Project No. 19-056. I support this project and its purpose.

Javon Bea Hospital has a demonstrated commitment and has consistently provided care to those most in need. The area's need for post-hospitalization subacute care exceeds the existing availability of services. Also, there are very few providers of the type of care proposed here on Rockford's west side – which is the underserved area of my district. Mercyhealth's commitment to those in need, coupled with its modest 17-bed proposal that will make available much needed services to the Rockford community, leads me to believe this unit will be highly beneficial in the Rockford area and to my constituents.

In closing I ask you that you promptly consider and approve Mercyhealth's application.

Thank you for your consideration.

Be well and talk soon.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Maurice A. West II", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Maurice A. West II
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