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**HEALTH FACILITIES &
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Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and
Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson
Springfield, IL 62761

Project 19-056, Mercyhealth Rockford

Dear Courtney,

Enclosed please find a letter from HCCL in regards to the Mercy proposed request to add acute care beds at their Rockton campus. These beds would be for those patients that cannot be placed in Long Term Care for a number of reasons discussed in their application. The Long Term Care industry realizes that this is a problem and this agreement is the right solution.

As you have already received, this project has received bipartisan local support and as far as I know, no opposition.

On behalf of the patients, their families, and Mercyhealth, thank you for your consideration of this worthy project.

Respectfully,

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Senator Dave Syverson



February 4, 2020

The Honorable Dave Syverson
200 S. Wyman, Suite 302
Rockford, IL. 61101

Dear Senator Syverson:

On behalf of the HCCI Board, we commend your work to ensure that the health care needs of seniors in the Rockford area come first.

Most recently your leadership was pivotal in the development of a stronger working relationship between a local acute care setting and a nearby skilled care facility. The compromise you helped broker resulted in a more seamless approach to transitioning older patients to less acute settings.

Again, please accept our heartfelt thank you for your efforts. As a result, the real winners are the senior citizens in the Rockford area and their families, who have come to rely on your unwavering support.

We look forward to continuing to partner with you on behalf of the seniors across the State impacted by your good work.

Sincerely

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Donna Ginther
Senior Advisor to the Board of Directors
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