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Courtney Avery  
Board Administrator  
Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
Illinois Department of Public Health  
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62761

**Re: The Quad Cities Rehabilitation Institute, Project #19-059 - Letter of Support  
– James E. Teske, UPH/IRF patient**

Dear Ms. Avery:

Enclosed please find a letter of support for The Quad Cities Rehabilitation Institute, Project #19-059 from James E. Teske.

If you have any questions or need any additional information regarding the project, please feel free to contact me via phone at 312-212-4967 or via email at [JMorado@beneschlaw.com](mailto:JMorado@beneschlaw.com). You can also contact my colleague Mark J. Silberman, via phone at 312-212-4952 or via email at [MSilberman@beneschlaw.com](mailto:MSilberman@beneschlaw.com) with any questions.

Very truly yours,

BENESCH, FRIEDLANDER,  
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Juan Morado, Jr.

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Enclosure

cc: George Roate, Project Reviewer

April 13, 2020

Courtney Avery, Board Administrator  
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Illinois Department of Public Health  
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor  
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: The Quad Cities Rehabilitation Institute, LLC's Proposal to Establish a 40-bed  
Comprehensive Physical Rehabilitation Hospital in Rock Island County, HSA10

Dear Ms. Avery:

I am writing to confirm my desire to have a Comprehensive Physical Rehabilitation Hospital in Rock Island County.

The year 2010 was not the finest of my life. I started in May with the diagnosis of Guillain-Barre Syndrome. Five months later, after quietly recovering from GBS, I broke my neck (C 3-4). After a rapid helicopter ride to St. Francis Hospital in Peoria for surgery, I returned to Rock Island for extensive PT and OT at Unity Point Hospital. I met this experience with apprehensive anticipation and an "I give up" outlook on life. (At the time of admission, I could only move my left thumb.)

Their educated and friendly staff soon remedied that and gave me a new, positive outlook on living. I learned that the staff, cleaning personnel, RN's, therapists, doctors, and helpers in all areas were there to help me. Without being demanding, they had me working from early morning through evening to show that I could improve, each in their own way as professionals. Approximately two months later, I was released to start out-patient therapy at their out-patient facility. During this therapy, I went from a wheelchair to a cane to walking on my own.

I was awarded the Rehabilittant of the Year at Unity Point Hospital and could present a multitude of happy events that occurred every day.

When I hear of other areas where they don't have what I had, it made me realize just how fortunate I was. I was so pleased I didn't have to travel 180 miles round trip to get PT and OT 3 to 5 times a week. At the time, I frankly could not have done it. A state-of-the art physical rehabilitation center would benefit so many people in this area and is so needed.

Thank you for your consideration and approval of the Quad Cities Rehabilitation Institute's request to build a Comprehensive Physical Rehabilitation Hospital in Rock Island County.

Sincerely,



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