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VIA US MAIL

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 – Paul Rumler, President & CEO of Quad Cities Chamber

Dear Ms. Avery:

Enclosed please find a letter of support for The Quad Cities Rehabilitation Institute, Project #19-059 from Paul Rumler, President & CEO of Quad Cities Chamber.

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 <u>JMorado@beneschlaw.com</u>. You can also contact my colleague Mark J. Silberman, via phone at 312-212-4952 or via email at MSilberman@beneschlaw.com with any questions.

Very truly yours,

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cc: George Roate, Project Reviewer



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May 25, 2020

Courtney Avery
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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,

As the Mayor of the City of Moline, I am pleased to express my support for The Quad Cities Rehabilitation Institute, LLC's certificate of need application to build a new comprehensive inpatient rehabilitation hospital in Moline, Illinois. Having lived in Moline since 1994, having been appointed to the City Council in 2001, and having been elected as the Mayor of the City of Moline, I have a vested interest in the overall health and wellbeing of our community.

The proposed development of a new acute rehabilitation hospital in Moline on the campus of UnityPoint Health-Trinity is a perfect location to provide this service. This park-like campus was designed to create a therapeutic healing environment which provides a variety of services for this community. In addition to a full service emergency department, cancer, wound care, birthing, surgical services and other outpatient diagnostic and treatment centers, it serves as a comprehensive healthcare delivery model for the future. By adding a comprehensive inpatient rehabilitation hospital to the campus it will further enhance the continuum of care for all patients in the Quad Cities who will benefit from the intensity of rehabilitation needed by so many of our citizens after having been in an acute care setting such as the hospital at UnityPoint-Trinity Rock Island Campus.

Adding to the healthcare array of quality services in Moline will add tremendous opportunity for new jobs, additional educational venues, and above all badly needed rehabilitation care for our seniors and others who will benefit from this level of care. The Encompass Health and UnityPoint Health partnership will bring excellent talented nurses, physicians and therapists to our community and will further enhance their existing reputation for high quality and therapeutic healing to those they will serve. I highly encourage the Health Facilities Review Board to approve the certificate of need for The Quad Cities Rehabilitation Institute, LLC's application to build this facility in our community. Thank you.

Respectfully,

Stephanie Acri Mayor of Moline