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Sue Scherer
House District 96
E-2 Stratton Office Building
Springfield, IL 62706

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HEALTH FACILITIES &
SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

RE: Discontinuation of 32 Hospital Licensed Acute Mental Illness Beds

Dear Representative Scherer,

This letter is to provide notice under the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act that on September 17, 2019, the Health Facilities and Services Review Board approved the exemption application of HSHS St. John's Hospital to discontinue its acute mental illness category of service. (See attached Exemption Approval letter). Please note that the service had been temporarily suspended since June 2018 and has not treated inpatients since that time. The Hospital Sisters remain committed to behavioral health services in Central Illinois through our outpatient services in Springfield as well as our behavioral health center of excellence at St. Mary's Hospital in Decatur.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

E.J. Kuiper, MHA, DPT, FACHE
President & CEO
HSJS St. John's Hospital