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October 23, 2019

Amy Bulpitt Vice President & General Counsel Hospital Sisters Health System 4936 LaVerna Road Springfield, Illinois 62707

RE: Discontinuation of a Category of Service Exemption, Health Facilities Planning Act Exemption #E-046-19 – HSHS St. Elizabeth Hospital

Exemption Holder: St. Elizabeth's Hospital of the Hospital Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis, Hospital Sisters Health System, Hospital Sisters Services, Inc.

Dear Ms. Bulpitt:

On October 22, 2019 the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board (State Board) approved your request for discontinuation of a category of service. The approval was based upon the application's compliance with applicable provisions of 77 ILAC 1130.500, 77 ILAC 1130.525 and 77 ILAC 1110.290. The exemption is for the discontinuation of the 16-bed comprehensive physical rehabilitation category of service at HSHS St. Elizabeth Hospital, 1 St. Elizabeth Boulevard, O'Fallon, Illinois. The following categories of service and beds remain:

Categories of Service	Before Approval	After Approval	Change
Categories of Service	Beds	Beds	
Medical Surgical	100	112	+12
Obstetric	12	12	0
Intensive Care	16	20	+4
Rehabilitation	16	0	-16
Total Beds	144	144	0

You are reminded that this exemption requires that for discontinuation of a category of service a notice of project completion must be submitted to the State Board no later than 90 days following the project completion date (November 26, 2019). <u>Failure to provide the required notification shall subject the exemption holder to the sanctions provided under Section 14 of the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act.</u>

The State Board's approval does not exempt the transaction from any other regulatory, certification or licensure requirements that may be applicable prior to discontinuation.

Should you have any questions or concerns please contact Mike Constantino or George Roate of my staff at Mike.Constantino@illinois.gov or George.Roate@illinois.gov or 217.782.3516.

Sincerely,

Courtney Avery Administrator

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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board