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Ms. Courtney R. Avery
Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
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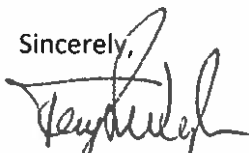
Dear Ms. Avery:

I am happy to have Advocate Condell Medical Center in the Village of Libertyville as a partner in the growth and health of our community. Condell has been in Libertyville for many years and has continued to grow with the needs of the community and surrounding area. As the dynamics of health care and our community needs change, it is very important that our hospitals and health resources continue to evolve to provide first class medical care for our residents. We are proud to have Condell in our community and I support their efforts to expand and modernize.

The next phase of their development revolves around the renovation and expansion of the Intensive Care Unit from 17 beds to 32 beds. The number of people over the age of 65 is projected to grow by over 30% in Lake County and the Libertyville area is seeing similar trends. The expansion will help to ensure that there are critical care services available for our aging population. In addition, having these critical health care services supports the growing economic development in our area. Since Condell is the only Level 1 Trauma Center in Lake County the need for Intensive Care beds has grown. It is for these reasons that I support Condell's expansion project.

Condell has a long record of service in our community. As the largest employer the hospital has been an integral part of the development of our community. We are very proud of the service Condell provides to the entire central Lake County area and support their application for the additional Intensive Care beds.

Sincerely,



Terry L. Weppner
Mayor

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