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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson St., Second Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Dear Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board members,

I am writing in support of the newly proposed Sarah Bush Lincoln Bonutti Clinic (Effingham Medical Office Building #20-030).

The current SBL Bonutti Clinic is antiquated and needs to be replaced. As a nurse practitioner in a busy orthopedic practice, I often see patients struggling with mobility issues. The small exam rooms and uneven flooring are difficult for patients who use wheelchairs and walkers to manage.

Furthermore, many of our patients rely on public transportation, friends and family to get them to their appointments. Getting in and out of vehicles is very difficult for people who have orthopedic injuries and/or chronic pain, who are recovering from certain surgeries and who have reduced mobility because they are elderly. Consolidating services by moving imaging equipment into the proposed clinic would reduce a lot of our patients' physical and emotional stress.

Please accept this letter as an indication of my full support of Effingham Medical Office Building #20-030. I hope you agree with me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kayla Deters, APRN". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the name "Kayla" being the most prominent part.

Kayla Deters, APRN
Orthopedic Practitioner

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