

August 27, 2020

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

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Sincerely,



Anya Schuetz
Member, Sarah Bush Lincoln Board of Directors



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Sincerely,

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Barb Hall

Member, Sarah Bush Lincoln Board of Directors

Subject: Effingham proposed clinic

Date: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 10:00:24 AM Central Daylight Time

From: Clinton Smith

To: Public Relations

Ms.Courtney Avery
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board

The proposed clinic in Effingham is definitely needed. Many of the residents in Effingham travel to Mattoon/Charleston for medical services. Also if surgery is envolved it would be more convenient to follow up with post surgery here . As one who has utilized their Therapy Dept I was very happy it was here in Effingham.

Clinton H. Smith
Resident of Effingham



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Re: Effingham Medical Office Building #20-030

Dear Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board members,

United Surgical Partners International is the majority partner in the Effingham Ambulatory Surgery Center that has been a part of the medical landscape for 25 years. It is highly regarded for quality, safety and excellence. It has earned the Guardian of Excellence designation from Press Ganey, which is reflective of its 98 percent patient experience score. It touts some of the best equipment and staff available.

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We have had discussions about the replacement plans for the Effingham medical office building. I can put any rumors to rest about suggested shell space in which surgeries will later be performed. It will not be equipped with medical gasses and oxygen to accommodate surgeries. Clearly, Sarah Bush Lincoln will not be performing any surgeries in the new building!

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Sincerely,

Doug Lashley

United Surgical Partners International
Primary Stockholder, Effingham Ambulatory Surgery Center



Sarah Bush Lincoln

Fayette County Hospital Long Term Care

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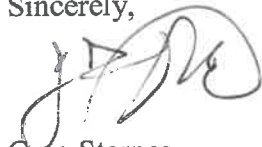
Fourteen months ago, Sarah Bush Lincoln purchased the operations of Fayette County Hospital and Long-Term Care. We are proud to be a part of the Sarah Bush Lincoln growing organization. It is sharing knowledge, resources and ideas with our Vandalia-based hospital which enhances the care we provide and creates a wider network of specialty care.

Many of our community members travel for specialty care to Effingham. We are fortunate that one of the Sarah Bush Lincoln Bonutti Clinic orthopedists comes to Vandalia to care for orthopedic needs in the community and saves our residents the 30-minute one-way drive. We value his expertise.

This newly proposed medical office building will open more medical options as specialists visit the clinic.

Please accept this letter as an indication of my full support of Effingham Medical Office Building #20-030. I look forward to an approved Certificate of Need.

Sincerely,



Greg Starnes

President & CEO, Sarah Bush Lincoln Fayette County Hospital and Long-Term Care

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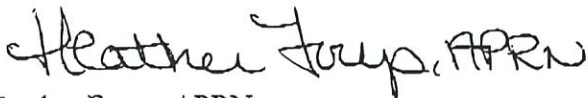
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As a nurse practitioner in a rural community in Effingham County, I understand the challenges our patients have when they need specialty care. They nearly always need to drive a distance for that care. It can be hardship on them. That is the primary reason I support the Sarah Bush Lincoln Bonutti Clinic replacement project. I refer my patients to this orthopedic clinic because I trust that the care delivered will be excellent and it is about a 15-minute drive.

Several years ago, I had the pleasure of working alongside Sarah Bush Lincoln and found the organization to be honest and forthright. The staff has a long history of putting the needs of its patients first. It is a class organization that has earned the Top Rural Hospital designation from the prestigious Leapfrog Group, putting it in the top 6 percent of hospitals in the nation for quality and safety. It continually strives to enhance the care and service it provides.

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Sincerely,



Heather Forys, APRN
Mid-Illinois Medical Care Associates

Subject: support for Sarah Bush expansion in Effingham
Date: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 1:19:50 PM Central Daylight Time
From: Mary Miller
To: Public Relations

To: Ms. Courtney Avery,
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
Regarding Effingham Medical Office Building #20-030

I am in complete support for the new Bonutti medical building to be built in Effingham, Illinois. I do not feel it will hamper SSHS St. Anthony's in any way. It will enhance the Effingham community's health care. It is not taking anything away from the present SSHS St. Anthony's medical system. It is unfair for SSHS to oppose this. After all they built a medical facility very close to Sarah Bush just outside of Mattoon, IL. The new Bonutti medical building will incorporate all the medical services that Sarah Bush already have in Effingham into one building. The old Bonutti building is old and needs replaced. There should be no controversy over this. We need this medical expansion in Effingham, Illinois for all the citizens in Effingham and the surrounding communities who depend on their health care to be local. I do not want to have to travel miles away when I can have good quality health care close by. This is why I support the new Sarah Bush Lincoln Bonutti Clinic. Thank you.

Sincerely,

James K. Miller



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Sincerely,

Jean Sunaway, RN, CASC, Administrator

United Surgical Partners International
Primary Stockholder, Effingham Ambulatory Surgery Center

Ken Larimore
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I have watched with interest how our community is responding to the proposed SBL Bonutti Clinic replacement project. This is pure and simple economic development! I have lived here for about 30 years and have worked in economic development for a neighboring county for several years. We would have been thrilled for this sort of project that employs our craftsmen, brings downstream jobs to our community, and perhaps best of all, vastly improves the landscape of one of the primary entrances to our city.

These sorts of developments do not come around all that often. Sarah Bush Lincoln has made long-term commitments to our community. I base this statement on the two nice buildings it has constructed on N. Maple Street that sets the standard for care, and the two existing buildings it has purchased in recent years. This \$35 million investment is nothing short of outstanding.

For these reasons, please accept this letter as an indication of my full support of Effingham Medical Office Building #20-030.

Sincerely,


Ken Larimore

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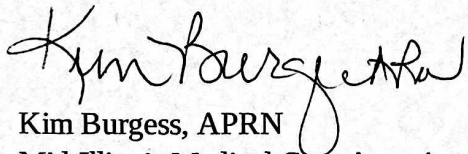
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I look forward to your approval of the Effingham Medical Office Building #20-030.

Sincerely,

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Kim Burgess, APRN
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LAKE LAND COLLEGE

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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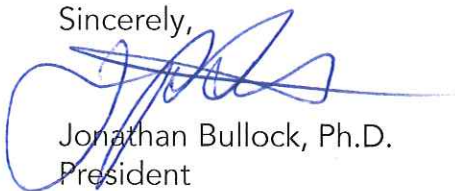
Lake Land College's main campus is located in Mattoon, IL, but has been an educational partner in Effingham County for over 50 years. In 1995, Lake Land College made a physical commitment to the area through construction of the Kluthe Center in Effingham. The Kluthe Center provides direct educational offerings to the residents of the county and surrounding area, including several healthcare fields such as nursing and physical therapy assistant programs.

Although I serve as a volunteer member of the Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center Board, I have also served as the president of Lake Land College since July 2013. As president, I believe this project will be beneficial to the College's allied health program students living in the southern part of our district, and the community at large. Lake Land College has a positive relationship with HSHS St. Anthony's Memorial Hospital and other local healthcare providers, and we welcome the expanded clinical and internship opportunities the Sarah Bush Lincoln Bonutti Clinic would make available to our students.

Sarah Bush Lincoln and Lake Land College have been community partners for decades, as we collaborate to promote community and economic development for east-central Illinois, provide learning experiences for our students and ultimately well-paying jobs for our graduates in a wide variety of fields.

Please accept this letter as an indication of my full support of the Effingham Medical Office Building #20-030. I am happy to address any questions you may have and can be reached at (217) 234-5222.

Sincerely,



Jonathan Bullock, Ph.D.
President

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Lori Cudone, MD
Member, Sarah Bush Lincoln Board of Directors



910 S. VanBuren
Newton, IL 62448

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SBL Newton Clinic



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Sincerely,

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Michele Kinder, APRN
SBL Newton Clinic

Subject: SBL Bonutti Clinic

Date: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 9:59:57 AM Central Daylight Time

From: Sara Wilson

To: Public Relations

Ms. Courtney Avery,

This letter is in reference to the Effingham Medical Office Building #20-030.

Sarah Bush's presence in Effingham County is a huge blessing. I have been a lifelong resident of Effingham County and can attest to that.

I work in the medical field and did rotations when I was in school through both St. Anthony's Hospital and Sarah Bush Lincoln. SBL is hands down more friendly, knowledgeable and also a great employer! I worked there for several years and would go back in a heartbeat. St. Anthony's on the other hand is rude, expensive and is known for firing life-long employees just to save a buck.

I could go on and on, but would rather not bore you.

All in all, Sarah Bush Lincoln should be able to expand Bonutti Clinic! Effingham is ready for it!

Sent from my iPhone