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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).

I am often one of the first practitioners patients see at the Sarah Bush Lincoln Bonutti Clinic. They come to us seeking relief from pain and mobility issues. There is no greater pleasure than helping them to achieve a higher quality of life.

The current SBL Bonutti Clinic is antiquated and needs to be replaced. As an orthopedic 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.

We use the MAKO robotic arm to assist in surgery. A key piece to using the MAKO is a CT image. The image is uploaded into the MAKO and it designates the surgical parameters to give the patient the best joint replacement fit for the knee and hip. Having the best CT equipment in our office is a time saver and a convenience for our patients. The new building will allow space not only for the new equipment and but for important upgrades.

Please accept this letter as an indication of my full support of Effingham Medical Office Building #20-030.

Sincerely.

Tom Williams, PA-C Orthopedic Practitioner

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