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To the Review Board,

Is closing a hospital and reducing access to health care really the right thing to do as our city, country, and the world struggle to contain a pandemic? We should be increasing our resources devoted to health care, especially in underserved communities, not to mention preserving those important jobs in the midst of already high levels of unemployment! As Covid-19 continues to put a strain on healthcare providers with no end in sight, we need to make sure hospitals remain open so that essential services like preventative care and screenings remain available or the ramifications for the future health of our residents are even more dire once we have moved past this crisis.

Also, as a Bridgeport resident without a car, having access to a hospital via public transportation is very important to me. Mercy Hospital is a short bus ride away and I can even walk there if I have time. I have always found the hospital to provide a consistently high level of service, regardless of the income level of those that they serve. Please do not allow this important resource to close!!

Thank you,
Alice McGorty



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