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I am a physician in Cook County, formerly on staff at Mercy Hospital. I am very concerned about the planned closure. There many residents that would be adversely affected. It smacks of racism in that hospital serves largely black.hispanic, and Chinese residents. Cook County Health will be closing clinics and the Provident EMerg. Dept.soon . Adding these changes to the Covid 19 epidemic can only mean less availability of care in general. This will lead to a higher death toll in the area and greater long term expenses for care.

PLEASE RULE AGAINST THE CLOSURE OF MERCY. IT IS TRULY A MATTER OF LIFE AND DEATH! THANK YOU!

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